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10 PER CENT ALLOWANCE EXPECTED IN APRIL

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economics Reporter

The cost-of-living allowance to be paid in April will amount to about 10 per cent (up to a maximum of 400), economists in Jerusalem estimated yesterday after publication of the December Consumer Price Index figures.

The index rose 0.8 per cent (2.7 cents) in December, and stands at 62.2 points. The 100-base line was established according to 1969 retail prices. Most of the items in the index increased during December, but the 2.7 per cent drop in the price of fruit and vegetables helped keep the general increase to modest proportions.

Food products (excluding fruit & vegetables) went up 0.5 per cent. The main rises were in fish, 1 per cent, and coffee, 9.5 per cent.

Among fruit and vegetables, tomatoes (29.9 per cent), carrots

Consumer price index in 1975

Index in 1975	Index in 1974	Change in %
1975 average	224.5	38.7
1974 average	212.5	38.7
January	227.4	1.5
February	227.7	1.5
March	228.3	1.2
April	228.3	1.2
May	228.3	1.2
June	228.3	1.2
July	228.3	1.2
August	228.3	1.2
September	228.3	1.2
October	228.3	1.2
November	228.3	1.2
December	228.3	1.2

Total increase in 1975 23.5 per cent.

(194 per cent), and lemons (11.3 per cent) contributed to the decline.

The wholesale price index of local industrial products rose by 2.1 per cent, and this will contribute to increases in the index in the coming months.

The index went up by 23.5 per cent during 1975. The increase in

the wholesale price index was 19 per cent. The increase in prices was greater in the later part of 1975. About 50 per cent of the year's increase was recorded during the last three months, after the 10 per cent devaluation in October and the increases in purchase taxes at that time.

On the average, prices in 1975 were 39.3 per cent higher than in 1974, when they were 39.7 per cent higher than in 1973. The major increases were: fruit and vegetables 48.6 per cent, furniture and house equipment 29.7 per cent and education 34.6 per cent.

The high increases in fruit and vegetable prices cannot be explained by higher farming costs. The index of these costs increased by 16.7 per cent, a finding which seems to support the view that the main cause of the high price rise is the profit of the middlemen.

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UNITED NATIONS. — Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik told the Security Council yesterday that a speedy resumption of the Geneva conference on the Middle East "is made necessary by life itself."

Malik said that the other participants should be Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Israel and the conference co-chairmen — the Soviet Union and the U.S.

"We are entitled to expect that the other parties and those who are the disciples" — an apparent reference to the U.S. and Israel — will show the necessary spirit of realism if they are determined to bring about peace in the Middle East.

Malik called for the implementation not only of Security Council resolutions favouring Israeli withdrawal from "occupied Arab territories," but also of General Assembly resolutions demanding self-determination, sovereignty and independence for the Palestinians and "their return to their homes."

The Council reconvened yesterday morning. The British Ambassador, Ivor Richard, said that his government would oppose any attempt to alter the principles for peace laid down in its basic 1987 resolution — Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and respect for the right of every state in the region to live in peace.

But he added that "the right of the Palestinian people to a national identity must also be recognized," and that "in any final settlement in the Middle East, a way must be found to take account of the political rights of the Palestinian people and to enable them to express their national identity."

Outside the Council chambers discussions continued on possible draft resolutions. A PLO spokesman, Shafik El-Hout, told reporters that the Palestinians insisted on a reference to their "inalienable national rights" and that this was the only phrasing they would accept.

On the U.S. side, sources indicated (Continued on page 2, col. 3)

Spanish phone strike spreads

MADRID. — A strike spreading among the 55,000 workers of the national telephone company yesterday threatened to disrupt telephone service as the government met to consider the leftist-inspired stoppages and protests surging throughout Spain.

Prime Minister Carlos Arias Navarro called an emergency session of his Cabinet amid reports that the number of strikes in the Madrid region had passed the 200,000 mark, and that negotiations aimed at avoiding a strike in the Madrid mass transit system — the second this month — were stalled.

A wave of sit-ins, slowdowns and strikes hit the centres of the telephone company after management and labour had been on the verge of reaching agreement on new pay scales and fringe benefits on Wednesday.

But then police chasing left-wing street protesters entered company headquarters chubbing several persons. The chief representative of the telephone workers protested and was promptly arrested. After his release negotiations resumed — but broke down quickly.

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By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The possibility of Israel's opening up negotiations with Jordan for an agreement involving a partial Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank can be expected to be a major issue of discussion between President Ford and Prime Minister Rabin when he visits Washington later this month.

Informal sources here have detected a possible shift in Israel's attitude regarding such negotiations. Rabin will be closely questioned by Ford and Secretary of State Kissinger about Israel's

current position, which has not yet been fully clarified.

The recent diplomatic "victories" won by the PLO are said to have convinced the Israel Government to reconsider its previous position regarding the feasibility of negotiating a partial accord with Jordan, informed sources said.

Rabin and other Israeli officials are now said to believe that Israel should at least "consider" working out an interim agreement with Jordan.

There is general agreement here that Hussein would seriously consider a "generous" Israeli proposal, despite his pledge to support the

November 1974, Rabat summit conference decision that the PLO should be the sole representative of the West Bank Palestinians.

Ever since Israeli-Jordanian negotiations for a partial accord collapsed during the summer preceding the Rabat conference, Israeli leaders have argued that a partial accord with Jordan is not desirable. Although Israel has reiterated its willingness to negotiate an overall settlement with Jordan, it has publicly and privately refused to consider discussing a partial pullback.

In fact, Israel insisted on inserting a clause to this effect in the U.S.-Israeli memorandum of agreement signed on September 1. That clause said: "The United States Government shares the Israeli position that under existing political circumstances negotiations with Jordan will be directed toward an overall peace settlement."

But informed sources here pointed out that the "political circumstances" of last September are no longer necessarily the same. The PLO has continued to increase its influence. There has been a slight erosion of the U.S. stance on this issue, as exemplified in the Saunders document.

Thus, Israel is said to be prepared to take up this issue once again in an effort to weaken the PLO. Reports this week that Rabin and Hussein have recently held secret talks are privately not being denied here, although American and Israeli officials are publicly insisting that they have "no information" on any such meetings.

But it seems the main sticking point holding back serious inter-agency negotiations between Amman and Jerusalem is Rabin's concern over holding early elections. The Israel Government has pledged to hold elections before beginning a withdrawal from the West Bank, although no prior elections are needed to begin negotiations leading to such a withdrawal.

Obviously, there would be strong opposition to an Israeli pullback from any parts of Judea and Samaria. Jordan would also risk angering the rest of the Arab world by going against the Rabat decision. But, it is believed, Hussein may consider doing this if the Israeli proposal is generous.

Hussein would be able to contend that he would have done damage to the Arab cause by refusing to "accept" any portion of the "occupied territories" that Israel was willing to return.

Dr. Kissinger privately says that Israel would be wise to enter negotiations with Jordan, even at this late moment. Kissinger is said to still oppose the concept of a separate Palestinian state on the West Bank, which, he fears, would eventually become Soviet-oriented and a threat to both Israel and Jordan.

But the Secretary is pessimistic regarding the possibility of actually concluding a deal. Kissinger said most other American officials tend to blame Israel "for missing the boat" with Jordan last summer prior to the Rabat decision.

Official Washington was disappointed in what was seen here as the Israeli-inspired leaks on the secret Hussein-Rabin talks. The feeling here is that if Israel were really serious about beginning serious talks with Jordan for a partial settlement, the story would not have been leaked.

'UN fiddles—Lebanon burns'

UNITED NATIONS. — Israel's UN envoy charged yesterday that the Security Council debate was a Syrian ploy to divert world attention from the Lebanese conflict.

"It is no coincidence that parallel with the opening of this debate we read of the stepping up of the activities of the Palestinian units in Lebanon in the process of dismembering that state," Chaim Herzog told a news conference. He stressed that the date of the debate, which began on Monday, was first proposed by President Assad of Syria.

Herzog said the Security Council was "fiddling while a state in the Middle East — Lebanon — burns."

He declared it was "utterly incongruous" for the Council to be discussing a matter already within

the province of the Geneva peace conference because of the insistence of "an extreme despotism such as Syria."

He told a questioner he doubted that Israel's absence from the Council debate, in protest against the presence of the PLO, had made any difference, since Israel was in any case "very much the underdog."

What had occurred in the Council so far had only vindicated Israel's original decision, Herzog said, although he saw some indication of a move "in the right direction" by Egypt.

He cited a statement in Cairo earlier this week by President Sadat agreeing to the reconvening of the Geneva conference with the original participants, as a first step aimed at securing the inclusion of the PLO. (AP, Reuters)

Angola situation 'serious' but FNLA holding

WASHINGTON. — The military situation in Angola is serious, the State Department said yesterday, but it denied that one of the American-supported forces had collapsed.

Spokesman Robert Fumeth said "it is not our information" that the National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA) has collapsed. "The situation is serious," he said, "but resistance is continuing and the fighting is going on."

The FNLA is one of two anti-Soviet groups in Angola which is fighting the Russian-supported movement for the Popular Liberation of Angola (MPLA).

The FNLA has been fighting in the northern half of Angola primarily against Cuban troops. Reports over the past week have indicated increasing success by the Cuban troops, leading to reports that the FNLA has nearly disintegrated.

In the meantime, Secretary of State Kissinger arranged a meeting today with ambassadors and chiefs of mission of 37 African nations. Although Fumeth said the meeting had been scheduled for some time as part of a continuing U.S.-African dialogue, other officials said the conference was called primarily to deal with Angolan conflict.

The spokesman was asked about a cable reportedly sent to America's European allies characterizing the FNLA as collapsing.

Fumeth refused to confirm the existence of the cable and also declined to assess the likelihood of FNLA continuing as a viable force. However, he indicated that limited American aid will continue to be sent into the area in spite of the serious military situation.

Fumeth was also asked about published accounts that an FNLA leader, Paulo Tuba, had said the situation had deteriorated to the point that his group might resort to international terrorism.

Fumeth said that the American position opposing such terrorism is well known. Still, he would not say whether this opposition had been communicated directly to Tuba or other FNLA leaders.

Fumeth also briefly listed some Soviet ship movements in the African area. He said a Russian guided-missile cruiser had left the Guinea port of Conakry, destination unknown. At the same time a Russian guided-missile destroyer was put into Conakry. Two other Soviet vessels were listed as 480 kms. off the Ivory Coast heading northwest away from Angola. (AP)

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'PRESSURE ON ASSAD TO START NEW FIGHTING'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The Damascus correspondent of "The Times" yesterday reported that Syria might initiate a new war of attrition on the Golan Heights if its present diplomatic moves failed to break the impasse in efforts to secure a new Israeli withdrawal. Ba'ath Party mi-

litants were putting pressure on President Assad to regain the "occupied Golan Heights by any means," the correspondent reported.

He said that the present Syrian diplomatic offensive at the Security Council was a key factor in Assad's moves. The Syrians wanted a timetable for Israeli withdrawal and

recognition of "the full rights" of the Palestinians.

The correspondent said that Assad had to make diplomatic progress of some kind to satisfy his party hothouse and "restless elements in the Syrian armed forces." Both these groups believed that another war with Israel was inevitable.

PLO lands units on Beirut coast as savage battles rage

By ANAN SAFADI
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The Palestine Liberation Organization last night brought reinforcements by boat to Beirut's coast — what was described as a decisive offensive which the PLO and its leftist allies were now mounting against Christians throughout Lebanon. Savage clashes, the most vicious in the past nine months of civil war, were raging last night in the Beirut area as well as in the northern, eastern and southern regions.

The Greek Catholic community yesterday joined the ruling Christian Maronites in blaming the PLO for the deteriorating situation and interfering in Lebanon's internal affairs. The charge against the PLO was made after Greek Catholic leaders met with President Suleiman Franjeh.

Headed by the Phalangists, Christian militiamen advanced on main highway east of Beirut with aim of cutting off two besieged refugee camps, Tel Za'atar and Jar Basha, from each other. The advance followed the capture on Wednesday of a third refugee camp, Aiyeh, which had long harassed

traffic between Beirut and the north.

Christian assaults against PLO and leftist forces attempting to advance on the predominantly Christian Lebanese mountain area east of Beirut were yesterday viewed as the most significant development in civil warfare aimed at bringing down the country's secular administration.

PLO forces were reported to have lowered their anti-aircraft guns in refugee camps to slow the Christian militia advance. The Christians had pledged to disarm the PLO-controlled camps with the aim of restoring state integrity before new moderate constitutional reforms are negotiated between Christians and Moslems.

Yasser Arafat, head of the PLO, which is now making its debut at the UN Security Council debate, yesterday urged Arab states to initiate collective action against what he described as a "conspiracy against the Palestinian people and its revolutionaries."

Lebanese security circles indicated that the toll of yesterday's battles were the heaviest in 24 hours throughout the past nine months of the civil warfare. Most of the ca-

sualties — which were believed to have brought the overall tally of the current war to well over 10,000 dead and more than 50,000 wounded — were in Beirut and its suburbs.

The Lebanese state radio last night said that Beirut was yesterday cut off from the rest of Lebanon, noting that the city's streets as well as its approaches were all closed as massive numbers of rival gunmen swarmed in various directions.

Both the PLO and the leftists repeatedly charged that the Lebanese army was aiding the Phalangists and other Christian militias in their resistance as well as in their counter-offensives. The army denied the charge, noting that it was flying helicopters to pick up casualties from the Christian town of Damour, south of Beirut, which was yesterday subjected to a PLO-led, first combined offensive. On another occasion yesterday, the army was reported to have cooperated with Christian militias in escorting a government-controlled convoy of petrol tankers and supplies.

As the battles raged, Moslem Premier Rashid Karami proposed an unconditional ceasefire, the 23rd in the current warfare, but his call went unheeded first by the PLO and the leftists and then by the Christians.

Both President Franjeh and Premier Karami were last night said to be concluding arrangements for a weekend conference with Syrian President Hafez Assad, probably on the Lebanese-Syrian border. In contrast, the secretary-general of the Arab League, Riyad Asad, yesterday called for combined action by all Arab states. But there was no response as members awaited the outcome of the Syrian leader's mediation. (Leader, page 10)

Life term for Ford attacker

N FRANCISCO. — Former FBI informant Sara Jane Moore was sentenced to life in prison yesterday for firing a pistol shot at President Ford outside a San Francisco hotel on September 22.

Before she was formally sentenced, Miss Moore, 45, delivered a 5-page speech before the court in which she called herself a "tool" of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and said she still considers as-

sassination a valid political act.

The sentence was handed down by U.S. District Judge Samuel Conti, who last month accepted Miss Moore's guilty plea to the federal charge of attempted assassination of the President. The shot she fired at Ford was the first fired at a President since John F. Kennedy was killed in Dallas 12 years ago.

(UPI)

Eldridge Cleaver: Arabs are racists

By WOLF BLITZER
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WASHINGTON. — Eldridge Cleaver, the former U.S. exile who recently returned to the U.S. and is in a California prison awaiting trial, has bitterly accused the Arab people of being "amongst the most racist people on earth."

Cleaver, who spent several years in Algeria, condemned the campaign to equate Zionism with racism, de-

scribing that "Jews have not only suffered particularly from racist persecution, they have done more than any other people in history to expose and condemn racism."

The Jerusalem Post has obtained a copy of Cleaver's statement on Zionism and Arab racism, which has not yet been published in America. Because of Cleaver's reputation as a leading Black radical, his remarks on the subject are expected to receive wide publicity. The following is the full text:

Two aspects of the recent UN resolution labeling Zionism as racist

both shocked and surprised me. Shocked because of all the people in the world, the Jews have not only suffered particularly from racist persecution, they have done more than any other people in history to expose and condemn racism. Generations of Jewish social scientists and scholars have laboured long and hard in every field of knowledge, from anthropology to psychology, to lay bare and refute all claims of racial inferiority and superiority. To condemn the Jewish survival doctrine of Zionism as racism, is a travesty upon the truth.

Secondly, I am surprised that the Arabs would choose to establish a precedent condemning racism because it can so easily and righteously be turned against them. Having lived intimately for several years amongst the Arabs, I know them to be amongst the most racist people on earth. This is particularly true of their attitude towards Black people. No one knows this better than Black Africans living along the edges of the Sahara.

Once while travelling through Bamako, Mali, the cab driver flew into a rage when we asked him to take us to the Algerian Embassy. When he learned that we actually lived in Algeria, he concluded that we were crazy. "Man," he said irritably, "don't you know that the Arabs still have black slaves?" He was right, although I didn't find it out until later. Many Arab families that can afford to do so keep one or two black slaves to do their menial labour. Sometimes they own an entire family. I have seen such slaves with my own eyes. Once I pressed an Algerian official for an explanation of the status of these people, and he ended up describing a complicated form of indentured servitude. The conversation broke up when I told him that it was nothing but a hypocritical form of slavery.

I have the deepest sympathy for the Palestinian people in their search for justice, but I see no net gain for freedom and human dignity in the world of power blocs, because of their ability to underwrite sagging economies for a season, are able to ram through the UN resolutions repugnant to human reason and historical fact.

The combination of Communist dictatorship, theocratic Arab dictatorships, and economically dependent Black African dictatorships are basically united in their opposition to the democratic forces inside their own borders. This gives them a lot in common and lots of room and motivation to wheel and deal amongst themselves. But it is not a combination deserving of respect by people from countries enjoying democratic liberties and traditions of freedom. It is a combination that must be struggled against.

But it seems to me that the Western democracies, the United States above all, are so guilt-ridden because of their past history as colo-

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy with possibility of rain.
Outlook for Saturday: Partly cloudy to cloudy with rain.
Weather synopsis: Depression over central Mediterranean moving eastwards.

Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	58-70	6-12
Golan	58-70	6-12
Nahariya	58-70	6-12
Safed	58-70	6-12
Haifa	58-70	6-12
Tiberias	58-70	6-12
Nazareth	58-70	6-12
Afula	58-70	6-12
Shomron	58-70	6-12
Tel Aviv	58-70	6-12
B-Q Airport	58-70	6-12
Jericho	58-70	6-12
Gaza	58-70	6-12
Beer-Sheva	58-70	6-12
Ellat	58-70	6-12
Tiras	58-70	6-12

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir, Education Minister Aharon Yadin, German Ambassador Per Fischer and other distinguished guests were among the audience at a special concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra with the Gachinger Kantorei choir from Stuttgart last night, at Binyanei El. The programme included choral works by Mozart, Brahms and Schubert.

Austrian Ambassador Dr. Johanna Nestor yesterday opened an exhibition of her compatriot, Hundertwasser, at the Tel Aviv Museum. The exhibition, under the joint patronage of Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and Premier Yitzhak Rabin, was recently shown in Cairo.

A delegation of the Australian Settlers' Association in Israel called on the Australian Ambassador, Richard Smith, on Wednesday and presented him with a letter from the association expressing gratitude for Australia's staunch support of Israel.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel will speak in an Emergency Period, at the Maritime and Economic Club, Haifa, at 1 p.m. today. Reservations by phone No. 511-593.

Dr. Gideon Foerster, of the Department of Antiquities & Museums, is to discuss "Tiberias" at the Rockefeller Museum in Jerusalem at 3 p.m. on Sunday, in a lecture series in English on Archaeological Sites, Problems and Solutions, sponsored by the W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research and the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology.

Prof. Yitzhak Ya'acov, Chief Scientist at the Commerce and Industry Ministry, will speak at the Haifa Engineers Forum on "The Contribution of Industrial R & D," at 1 p.m. today.

An Oneg Shabbat (in English) will be held tonight at Heichal Shlomo in Jerusalem at 8.30 p.m. Rabbi Dr. Norman Friedman and Binyamin Avileah of the Foreign Ministry will be the speakers. Zmitrot: Cantor Arye Goldberg. A Melave Malka programme will be held at 8 p.m. tomorrow, with Haim Zohar as guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lender will sing, and a film will be shown. The public is invited.

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at 9 p.m. tonight, at Bnei Shimon, 86 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Ben Hagai, president of AAR, Tel Aviv region and Ya'acov Bar-Or, community leader.

ARRIVALS

William Van Lanchoot, president of the World Federation of War Veterans, for a ten-day visit as guest of the Foreign Ministry and the Israel Union of War Veterans.

Knesset Member Avraham Shechterman from Europe, where he attended meetings in Strasbourg of the Council of Europe's consultative assembly.

Milton Wolf, at the head of the 22-member UJA Cleveland Mission (by El Al).

We announce with sorrow the passing of our beloved

HELENA RICHTER Brody (Poland)

who died after a prolonged illness.

The funeral will be today, January 16, leaving at 10 a.m. from Rambam Hospital, Haifa, for the Old Cemetery, Carmel Beach. Transport will be available from the Hospital.

Her Husband, Emanuel Richter

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(London — Hanover)

will be held at Afula Cemetery on Sunday, January 18, 1976, at 2.00 p.m. All friends are invited to participate.

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veteran Zionist and lifelong worker for the Jewish cause.

The cortege will leave from the Sanhedria Cemetery in Jerusalem on Wednesday, January 21, 1976, at 11.00 a.m., for the Mt. of Olives.



Larry Goodman of Chicago, one of 250 Israel Bond leaders currently visiting the country, speaks at yesterday's dedication ceremonies of Nahal Malkishua. (Camera 13)

Nahal settlement on bare hill leaves Bond leaders breathless

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAHAL, MALKISHUA. Mount Gilboa. The crest of this august hill, barren except for a few army tents and barbed wire fences, became a spot on Israel's map yesterday, as Nahal soldiers raised the national colours to the warm applause of Israel Bond leaders from America.

Mt. Malkishua, one of the hills of Gilboa inside the Green Line, overlooking the Jordan and Beisan Valleys and standing opposite the hills of Shomron, is the 23rd Nahal settlement established in Israel. King Saul died by his own sword near the site, and Mt. Malkishua was named after one of his sons.

"The first modern settlers of this area fought against malaria, not the Arabs," noted Interior Minister Yosef Burg at the festive inauguration ceremony. "We prefer to build, but when we are obliged, we will defend our country. Settlement here means building and defending; it is the answer to anti-Zionism."

The 250 members of the Prime Minister's Bond Conference inched up the 1,500 metre high hill, mar-

veling at one of the most spectacular vistas in the country — a mosaic of fashpods, forests, rolling hills and tiled fields. On top, they were greeted by the new settlers (religious soldiers of the Bnei Akiva movement), residents of neighbouring settlements and Jewish Agency officials.

The young soldiers, carrying Uzzi sub-machineguns and M-16s, went through their drills, their steps made even crisper by the cold wind blowing across the hill. "We came to fulfil the mitzvah (commandment) of settling the land," said a girl in the establishment of Nahal Malkishua. "For our friends who have died in battle and been buried in Israel's hills, we establish this permanent settlement."

After messages by O/C Nahal Aluf-Mishne Ra'anan Sharir, by a representative of the Jewish Agency and others, one of the Bond delegates, Larry Goodman of Chicago, spoke in English to the new pioneers: "After seeing what you have committed yourselves to do, we can now go back to our fellow Jews and tell them what sacrifice really is. To those who do not participate

in Israel's building, I say: 'You are just spectators in life. We won't let you down... You can count on us!' While some of the spectators went to tents for refreshments, dozens of Bonds leaders accompanied the soldier-settlers to a bare spot on the hill and planted saplings, in honour of the new Nahal post and of Tu B'Shvat.

Earlier in the day, the Bonds participants visited an artillery unit in the Golan Heights, climbing on guns and taking photographs.

They also visited other Bnei Akiva youth at the isolated Yonatan settlement nearby, walking through bunkers and up improvised stairs made of old green ammunition boxes. The new settlement, not far from Keshet, hopes to have 150 families eventually, and will move to a permanent site, picking up their buildings with them, in the area next year.

The Bonds participants attended a musical play with Israeli lyrics last night in Jerusalem, and will tour the country today. On Saturday night, President Katzir will be the guest of honour at the closing dinner.

ZEISEL ELECTED MAYOR OF HAIFA

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — In a packed City Council chamber that included Labour Party and senior city officials, the Chief Rabbi and members of the press, Yeruham Zeisel, 67, was elected Mayor of Haifa yesterday.

He succeeds Yosef Almogi, MK, now World Zionist Executive Chairman, who has resigned his post and council seat.

The walk-to-wall coalition gave Zeisel a unanimous vote of all council members present. Only one man dissented, Gideon Tsahar, the State List's councillor who expressed his protest against the take-over by Zeisel which he regards as "contempt for the electorate." He said yesterday that he stayed away from the council session in order not to

upset the unity of the Likud faction, but that he objects to its remaining in the coalition under the present circumstances. While the council was in session a quiet token demonstration of some 20 Shinui movement members was held outside City Hall.

The only discordant verbal note came from Dr. Gideon Kaminka (ILP) who criticised what he called the negative aspects of the take-over which "will not enhance the credibility of the Labour Party among the public." The image of the city had suffered and it would have been better to turn to the electorate for a new mayor he said. But he too voted for both Mayor Zeisel and the new Deputy Mayor, Yosef Blustein, ensuring the smooth and unanimous vote.

Almogi 'acting chairman' till June

Jerusalem Post Staff

Zionist Organization chairman Yosef Almogi was yesterday formally elected acting chairman of the Jewish Agency. The word "acting" will be removed from his title when the Agency Assembly elects him in June.

In a series of formal moves, the Agency's Board of Governors convened in special session, and elected Almogi a Governor in place of the late Pinhas Sapir. Then the Agency's Executive met, and elected Almogi its chairman in place of act-

ing chairman Arye Dulzin, who voluntarily stepped aside for Almogi after the latter defeated him last week in the election for the Zionist chairmanship.

In brief words of thanks, Almogi praised Dulzin, both for the fair and decent way in which he had conducted the election campaign, and for the smooth way in which he was handing over the chairmanship.

Dulzin remains treasurer of the Agency and of the Zionist Organization.

Technically, Almogi is acting chairman of the Agency — and will remain so until July when the Agency's Assembly meets to elect him permanent chairman.

He will have to stand for re-election — for both chairmanships — at the end of the year when the Zionist Congress convenes in Jerusalem.

SECURITY COUNCIL

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cated that the government was not prepared to go beyond what was said in the Saunders Paper. The legitimate interests of the Palestinian Arabs must be taken into account in the negotiation of an Arab-Israeli peace.

Arab sources indicated that some members of the Arab drafting committee here — consisting of Syria, Egypt, Libya, Jordan and the PLO had suggested introducing more than one resolution.

One draft would be phrased in a way acceptable to the U.S., and the other would include Arab demands that the U.S. was certain to veto. These would presumably include a call for Israeli withdrawal from all occupied territories and recognition of Palestinian rights.

Speeches by the representatives of France, Sweden and Japan on Wednesday indicated a growing U.S. isolation on the 15-member Council on the issue of Palestinian "rights," observers noted. All three delegates voiced support for existing Council resolutions on the Middle East, which speak of a "refugee problem" and for Israel's right to exist within secure boundaries, but they also spoke of Palestinian "rights."

Sweden's ambassador, Olof Rydbeck, pointedly stressed that "the interests and rights of the Palestinian Arabs have not sufficiently been taken into account" and that "the Palestinian Arabs have legitimate national interests and rights, and that these must be fully taken into account in the search for a solution."

'New Yorker' would be appalled at the idea

Yosef Tamir (Likud) has accused Eliezer Ronen (Alignment-Mapan) of "irresponsibility" for suggesting that the Mamilla development project take a chunk out of Einom Park, below the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem.

Tamir issued a statement to Knesset correspondents saying that the proposal made by Ronen as head of Kartia (the Mamilla project corporation) was "a crime against the people."

Tamir told The Post he would never have believed a Mafpan member could have suggested encroaching on a national parkland area. "Would any New Yorker ever suggest giving away a piece of Central Park?" Tamir asked.

The Council should reach a decision commanding broad support. Controversial resolutions would be sent to the UN Security Council, and to the arms-race in the region.

The French delegate, Louis de Guiringaud, said a settlement should include Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories, recognition of the right of the Palestinians to an independent homeland, and reaffirmation of the right of all states in the region to exist within recognized and guaranteed boundaries.

He said France and its European partners would put forward proposals concerning guarantees at an appropriate time.

Ambassador Shizuo Saito of Japan said a solution should be based on Council resolutions 242 and 338, but since they dealt with the Palestinians only as refugees, the Council should also acknowledge "the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

The Geneva conference should be reconvened as soon as possible, and Israel and the PLO should "conduct a dialogue" directed towards the achievement of a peaceful solution.

Pakistan's delegate, Iqbal Akhund, urged Israel yesterday to come to terms with "the reality of Palestine." Speaking on the fourth day of the Middle East debate, he said that Pakistan was not oblivious to the wrongs and indignities the Jewish people had to suffer over the centuries at the hands of their compatriots in some countries. But the existence of Israel could not be built on the extinction of Palestine, he said. (AP, Reuters)

Histadrut demands no cut in subsidies

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut yesterday demanded that the Government boost by more than half the proposed IL1,600m. allocation for subsidies on 14 basic commodities.

The demand was made at a meeting with the directors-general of the ministries of Finance, Agriculture and Commerce and Industry here.

The Histadrut demanded that the allocation for subsidies be raised from the proposed IL1,600m. to IL2,500m. — its size last year. The Histadrut said it was not demanding the subsidies be raised to the IL3,400m.-IL3,500m. that would be needed to keep the 14 items at their 1975 prices to the consumer. But it wanted at least the same amount appropriated for subsidies as last year.

When the Value Added Tax (VAT) was approved some weeks ago the Treasury and Histadrut

agreed to raise subsidies sufficiently to absorb the seven-per-cent price increase that VAT would otherwise cause in the basics. (The rise expected from other causes next year. If subsidies stay pegged at IL1,600m. is 50-60 per cent.)

To offset the VAT-caused increase on the Histadrut's 14 basic items, the Treasury would have to find another IL500m. in subsidy money. But it wishes to limit the number of basics to five: bread, cooking oil, poultry, dairy products and public transport. This would cut the figure to IL300m.

The Histadrut wants all 14 to be protected — including rice, sugar and beef.

The Jerusalem Post learned yesterday that Treasury and Histadrut officials will meet next week in order to reach agreement on the subsidies issue. Among the subjects discussed will be the rate of subsidy on each product.

New year of the trees

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's trees will have their one day in the sun on Shabbat, when its citizens (especially children) celebrate the Jewish New Year of Trees — Tu B'Shvat.

Since tree-planting is prohibited by halacha on Shabbat, the work has begun early this week and will continue into the next. Not forbidden (indeed encouraged) on this Sabbath of Tu B'Shvat is the eating of fruits grown in Israel, including dates, figs, carobs, raisins and nuts. Special prayers and study lessons are also recited.

Hotels have been asked by the Chief Rabbinate to prepare special meals — highlighted with fruit — for their guests and to decorate their dining

rooms with greenery. Musical programmes have been arranged in hotels for Saturday night.

The central theme of this Tu B'Shvat, in schools according to the Education Ministry, will be preservation of water resources in Israel. Teachers will take their pupils to visit these areas — from winter pools of water to streams and other bodies of water, to see the pollution problem for themselves. A special booklet called "Mayim Hayim" (Living Water) has been prepared by the Ministry as a guide for teachers on the subject.

Schools have been warned to obey regulations regarding tours for pupils, including prohibitions against bathing in fashpods, reservoirs or water canals. (See Picture, P. 3)

Israel Corp. board: 'Didn't know about Tzur's \$8.5m.'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tel Aviv District Court will next week hear the Israel Corporation's protest against a court judgement which, as reported in the press, had implied that its board of directors were fully aware of deposits made by former IC managing director Michael Tzur.

The deposits in question are \$8.5m. which Tzur, now serving a jail term for defrauding the IC, made in Geneva financier Tibor Rosenbaum's International Credit Trust. The money was lost when the Rosenbaum financial empire became insolvent.

The implication that the directors had been fully aware of the transactions was in a January 8 judgement in which District Court Judge

Shlomo Loewenberg dismissed all legal proceedings against Dr. Rosenbaum. The Israel Corporation demanded a correction of the record.

At an interim session held on Monday, Judge Loewenberg issued an amendment to the record of his previous observations. He said: "It is my official duty to state that as far as the matter appears from the statements and from the documents, members of the Board of Directors of the Israel Corporation had no knowledge of the transfers to the International Credit Trust, since Mr. Michael Tzur stood between them and Dr. Rosenbaum. This is not a new statement of fact, since the matters have already been established in court, but it should be emphasized."

He added: "No fault can be attributed to any of the members of the Board of Directors of the Israel Corporation in any way whatsoever, and this is without reference to the then Managing Director, Mr. Tzur."

A number of points await elucidation at the coming court session, including the admission made on October 8 by Amnon Goldenberg, Israel Corporation attorney, that four of the deposits made in Rosenbaum's ICT were in fact co-signed by "a director of the company."

Arab students accept guard duty compromise

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Arab students at the Hebrew University have accepted a compromise for doing guard duty at student dormitories, which was devised by the university's executive council on Monday. It was learned last night.

The compromise involves giving first aid service and checking the grounds near dormitories, instead of doing safety patrols, to which the Arab students had objected.

The two Arab students, who were to vacate their rooms yesterday because of refusal to do guard duty, have already signed the new agreement and are staying in their dormitory. The eight Arab students, who left their dormitories on the Ein Karem campus two weeks ago, but whose rooms are being kept vacant, will be able to return as soon as they sign the agreement.

3 marketmen arrested for tax-evasion

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — Three local vegetable wholesalers were remanded yesterday for six days each on suspicion of tax-evasion.

The three — Anwar Malka, Matok Matok and Meir Shabarani — were caught as part of a series of raids begun after stories about protection-rackets pointed to secret high profits made by fruit and vegetable wholesalers.

Income tax representative Asher Bar-El told the Magistrate's Court that Malka had for the last four years been declaring only IL20,000-IL25,000 in income from his Carmel Market stall. They said a search of his home, however, had turned up IL500,000 in foreign currency and gold bars, suggesting he was concealing income.

Matok, the second suspect — at present in partnership with Shabarani in the wholesale market here — had been declaring IL500,000. This did not fit the income declarations he had made. Shabarani, the tax man said, had declared only the yearly salary (IL25,000 in 1973) he had received from a marketing firm. He had allegedly concealed other income, and had been found to own a villa, an interest in a wholesale-market shop and an interest in Matok & Shabarani — worth all told IL500,000.

Requests for release on bail were denied. Treasury officials said yesterday that the raids, which also involve Jerusalem and Haifa, will continue. They say the aim is to create an atmosphere in which wholesalers and retailers will be induced to keep proper books and to declare their real income.

Spaniards edge Maccabi

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A lapse in its defence in the last two minutes of play cost Tel Aviv Maccabi a prestigious basketball win over Real Madrid at Yad Eliahu last night.

The Spanish champions beat Maccabi 91-90, in the second leg of their European Cup quarter-final encounter, before 10,000 fans.

Maccabi led 88-79 two minutes before the end. For much of the second period it held a nine-point advantage, after leading 46-43 at half time.

Jim Boatwright was in cracking form as marksman and Maccabi's star. Aroush was the outstanding American. Lawrence McRae, Maccabi's American guest star, had a promising game — and more than any thing, cost the Tel Avivians a victory.

Real's 31-year-old veteran Walter Bravender was the star in Maccabi's side, especially in the second period. He scored 22 points, mostly with superbly accurate long-range shots. Three of Real's starters — Rolan, Koprana and Cerviac — all out the second half on the bench, having committed five fouls.

Top scorers for Maccabi were Lou Silver, 23 points; Boatwright, 24; and Aroush, 18. For Real Bravender, 22; Korbaban, 15; Cerviac, 14; and Rolan, 14.

Real Madrid won the first leg, 125-78 in Madrid last week.

Mysterious money bag on roof

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An anonymous telephone call about a "suspicious parcel" near Kikar Malchei Yisrael here led police on Wednesday night to a plastic bag which proved to contain a gold bar and nearly IL20,000 in foreign currency.

Police were yesterday going through the serial numbers on 10 bills to see if any of the \$2,000 and DML100 came from the stolen earlier this week from police headquarters in Jaffa. But they had any connection appeared unlikely.

Police sappers had gone quick to the roof of an apartment house in 7 Rehov Netzah Yisrael after the call was received; when the found what the bag contained, the returned it to its place while the area was staked out to see if anyone would come to collect it. By morning, when no one showed up the stake-out was called off.

Another possibility being looked into by police yesterday was the murder last week of Rehov Likim black-market moneychanger Mordechai Yamanik and his wife Esther.

The elderly couple were killed on the same night, and their bodies left 30 kms. apart in the Tel Aviv area. Police, basing themselves on records found in the Yamanik home and bank, have been questioning persons connected with deals in the moneychanger made in the past few weeks.

They have also traced the couple to a Rehovot restaurant, where the Yamaniks apparently dined with a third person. Police hoped yesterday that waiters and other descriptions would permit an accurate identification picture of this person to be made. (They have discarded an earlier one based on the testimony of a Rehovot cafe owner, who said the trio had been in his establishment.)

YOUNG OFFENDERS serving their first prison term have been "adopted" by the Haifa Rotary Club, whose members will help them find jobs when they are released.

Officer's death thought a suicide

HAIFA.

The Military Police are investigating the death of an army officer whose body was found in his car yesterday afternoon near Beit Biram, in the Ahuva quarter here. The authorities suspect that the officer, a 52-year-old lieutenant-colonel, had taken his own life.

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4 held for supplying drugs to Jerusalem high schoolers

Jerusalem Post Staff
Jerusalem police on Wednesday arrested four youths suspected of supplying narcotics to pupils of the Capital's Gymnasium High School.

One of the suspects are aged while the fourth, who lives on Mt. Zion, is 19, none is a pupil of the school.

The police will decide this morning whether to bring the four before court to have them remanded. The arrests follow the questioning Wednesday of 15 pupils at the gymnasium school in connection with reports of hashish smoking at night parties. Several of the questioned admitted having hashish. The school's principal, Shmuel Michaeli, said that he informed the Education Ministry and the Attorney-General several weeks ago that hashish was being supplied to pupils.

The Education Ministry spokesman said last night that information that a pupil was using drugs was not automatically lead to his arrest and the opening of a police file. "We are primarily interested in information, so that we can eradicate this plague," he said.

In a police raid last week in the Hutzot Hayotzer artists' colony at the foot of Mount Zion, several Rehavia pupils were found who admitted to smoking hashish.

It was this raid at the Mardach club which set off the further inquiries among the high-school pupils. During the investigation police have been less interested in arresting pupils than in tracing the suppliers.

Police questioning of pupils and parents has shown that drug-use is not restricted to the Rehavia school, but also involves other high schools in Jerusalem.

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No special powers for Knesset unit

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
A Likud bid to give the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee the authority to summon ministers, their senior officials and senior army officers to discuss any item proposed by a third of the committee was defeated on Wednesday.

Justice Minister Haim Zadok told the House Committee, discussing the Likud proposal, put forward by Moshe Nissim, that one Knesset committee could not be granted more privileges than the others.

Nissim told The Jerusalem Post later that since he did not wish to see any committee getting extraordinary privileges, he now intended to propose that all Knesset committees have the power to summon ministers, senior officials and top officials.

At present Knesset committees are allowed to talk about matters referred to them from the plenum, or determined by a majority within the committee. They have no power to summon ministers, although ministers generally appear when invited. They have no power to summon officials or army officers. The minister himself decides who to take along with him.

Taxi hijacker to serve an extra 12 years

TEL AVIV. — A "taxi-hijacker" and robber Yosef Plutsk, 24, was yesterday sentenced by the District Court here to serve an additional 12 years to the nine he is already serving.

Last September Plutsk, a convicted robber, was sentenced to a 60-hour leave from the Beersheba prison and did not return. Instead, he went on a taxi-hijacking spree, together with another man, Aviad Felheim, 20, and a stolen pistol.

On a number of occasions they would flag a taxi, ask the driver to take them to a secluded place out of town, rob him of his money, tie him up outside and then drive away with the taxi. Their loot from each robbery was less than IL1,000.

Because of the gravity of the crime, the District Court decided to impose a 12-year sentence to run consecutively to his present nine-year term.

The court postponed passing sentence on Felheim at the recommendation of his probation officer, who asked for six months' grace to enable Felheim to turn over a new leaf.

Defence at terror trial claims police used force

TEL AVIV. — The trial of five Arab terrorists accused of the assault on the Savoy Hotel in Tel Aviv 10 months ago continued here yesterday with the defence attorney charging the police with extracting confessions through threats and force. Police witness testified to the contrary.

One of the defendants, 23-year-old Musa Goumah, a Jordanian, was the sole survivor of the terror squad that seized the hotel on March 5, murdering 11 victims and, after a six-hour siege, blowing up the building. The other four terrorists were crew members of the vessel which police claim carried the terror squad to the Tel Aviv shore.

Defence attorney Lea Teemel charged that force had been used against the defendants. But a police witness, Samal Yeheskel Nahum, told the court that judges had visited the accused several times in the Tel Mond prison to hear testimony, and "on none of these occasions had any wounds or bandages been in evidence."

The trial will continue on Sunday.

Accused, accuser fail to turn up Fiasco at seamen's court

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The first session of the newly-constituted Seamen's Disciplinary Court turned into a fiasco yesterday morning when one of three seamen from the freighter Yafa facing a hearing for disciplinary violations and their accuser, the ship's first officer, failed to appear for the hearing.

It was learned that the seaman, chief officer Haim Lemberger, 35, and the officer, who is the chief prosecution witness, had been flown two weeks ago to the U.S. to join the tanker Nitta, which is involved in a different disciplinary dispute.

Furthermore, five other witnesses for the prosecution, out of eight called, also failed to attend the court session. The court was established by the Transport Minister under the 1973 Shipping Law.

The disciplinary violations of the Yafa allegedly occurred during a voyage last October to the U.S. In addition to Lemberger, the seamen accused are bosun Moshe Mirzani, 35, and the ship's carpenter, Yosef Agababa, 31.

The three are charged with creating a "reign of terror" on the ship, beating up the deck

boy, threatening to murder the cook, playing tapes at top volume to disturb the catering staff because they weren't permitted to hide illegal liquor and clothes in the kitchen, and threatening to "embitter the lives" of the ship's officers for warning the crew that, because of security precautions, women would not be allowed on board.

It was asserted that as a result, the terrorized ship's cooks had slept together in a single cabin for protection, and the purser had locked himself in his cabin, coming out only on specific phone instructions from the captain.

After an hour's deliberation, the court decided to postpone the hearing until next month, arguing the authorities to do everything possible to bring all persons involved to Haifa for the hearing. The court declared that since the three men had been charged together, they should be tried together.

The court also asked for clarification whether Lemberger had left the country before or after the issuing of an injunction prohibiting his departure. The first officer reportedly had orally agreed to remain in Israel pending the trial.

Prosecutor Shlomo Valiano of

the Ministry had asked the court to postpone the hearing until all pertinent personnel were present. However, his request was strongly opposed by the seamen's defender, Moshe Levy, secretary of the Ratings Seamen's Union. Levy argued that the other two accused, Mirzani and Agababa, had been suspended from their jobs pending the trial, without pay, and should not be additionally penalized because the authorities had failed to get the trial started on time.

Levy also demanded that the composition of the court be changed. The court is composed of lawyer Zvi Tadmor of the Ministry, veteran captain M. Abramski, and Histadrut representative, lawyer Mrs. Y. Nahman. Levy wanted Mrs. Nahman replaced by a representative of the ratings so that the accused would have somebody of their own on the bench "as practised in court-martials." The court declared that it would decide at a later date on this demand.

Tadmor, president of the court, assured Levy that if the charges against the seamen were found to be baseless, the court would make certain that they were paid their wages for the duration of their suspension.

Named to be judges

The Committee on Judicial Appointments, which is headed by Justice Minister Haim Zadok, has decided to recommend the following appointments to President Katzir: Justice Minister director-general Zvi Terlo to be Deputy President of the National Labour Court; Jerusalem attorney Moshe Cohen to the Jerusalem District Court; Haifa Magistrate Malchiel Slutski to the Haifa District Court; Tel Aviv attorney Yehoshua Diamant to the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court; Jerusalem Attorney Ya'acov Bezalel to the Netanya Traffic Court.

Tel Aviv not worried about funds cut-off

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Municipality sources yesterday voiced confidence that the Interior Ministry will rescind its Wednesday decision to freeze grants for the city over Mayor Lahat's intention to hike the pay of 500 municipal manual labourers. (The 10-per-cent rise violated Ministry economy directives.)

While no city official was willing to comment formally, informed circles said the matter had deteriorated into a question of prestige.

As to the money — grants to cover Tel Aviv's deficit — they said the Ministry will not in the long run be able to refuse funds, which

are public money. "Some of it Tel Aviv tax-payer's own money." Some face-saving formula will be found, and the city will still pay the ten-per cent hike to the manual employees they maintained.

The municipality claims the hikes, which begin with the January salaries, will equalize working conditions here with those in Jerusalem. (The Jerusalem municipality however denies it pays higher wages than Tel Aviv does.) Tel Aviv feels the Ministry is using it to deter wage hikes elsewhere, while ignoring this city's special situation, especially that it must provide services to the whole metropolitan area.

The hike could cost the city IL2m. a year.

Link to watchman's murder probed 6 KITAN WORKERS CHARGED IN THEFTS

UPPER NAZARETH. — While police continued to investigate last month's murder of a night watchman at the Kitani textile plant here, six senior company employees were yesterday accused of stealing wares worth IL115,000.

Three of the suspects arrested during the past fortnight and currently questioned in connection with the thefts, are also being interrogated as to their possible complicity in the murder of Mordechai ("Motti") Resnik, 66. One police theory is that he was a witness to the thefts and therefore was killed. Resnik was found on December 12, shot dead with four revolver bullets fired at close range.

The six men charged with theft

Beate may be pardoned

COLOGNE. — Nazi-fighter Beate Klarsfeld may not have to serve the remaining 21 days of her sentence for "bodily abuse" of convicted Nazi killer Kurt Lischka, it was reported here on Wednesday.

Mrs. Klarsfeld has served 39 days of her sentence after her conviction of attempting to "kidnap" the former Lyons Gestapo chief in March 1971. The spokeswoman for the Justice Ministry of Rheinland-Westphalia said that proceedings have begun on granting her a pardon, following intervention by a number of persons. He added that the pardon would refer only to the unserved portion of the sentence, which was passed in May of 1974.

Lischka, 65, was sentenced to death in absentia by a French Court in 1950, for his role in deporting 100,000 French Jews to their deaths in extermination camps. He is living free in Germany. (APF)

Doctor's killer gets life; 'shooting was premeditated'

HAIFA. — The killer of Dr. Gideon Manelis, 62-year-old Bronislav Lev, was sentenced to life imprisonment by the District Court here yesterday, after being convicted of premeditated murder.

Lev, a male nurse, shot Dr. Manelis twice in the chest at close range in October. He then told the police he had waited five years for the opportunity to commit the act, as he had harboured a grudge against the doctor. The murder took place at the Government Hospital in Nahariya, where Lev came seeking medical attention.

The three-judge panel yesterday ruled the murder was premeditated, since Lev came to the hospital with a loaded pistol with the safety off. There was no evidence that the victim did anything to annoy Lev, as he claimed during the trial, and the court did not believe that he did the shooting while "happening" that he was being held by the Nazis.

(Lev, who immigrated to Israel from Poland in 1959, worked for two years as a nurse at the Nahariya hospital, then held a variety of other jobs. The last of these was as watchman, for which he had obtained a pistol licence. He was also a frequent visitor to the hospital's clinics, complaining of pains.)

Immediately after the murder, Lev told the police he was intending to kill Dr. Manelis, but later he changed his story. The judges said they had no hesitation in preferring his original statement and the prosecution's evidence to the accused's subsequent denials.

Before sentence was pronounced, Lev stood up, supported by two policemen, and, choked by tears, said he had not thought of the consequences of his act, which he now regretted.

Dr. Manelis was 46. He was deputy chairman of the Israeli Medical Association and chairman of the physicians in the Government's employ. His widow and his son, who is in the army, were in the court room as sentence was pronounced.



Bronislav Lev is led from the courtroom yesterday after being sentenced to life imprisonment. (IPPA)

University tuition fees may go up to IL10,000

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
University tuition, which now stands at IL2,950 a year, may rise to IL7,000 or even IL10,000 if the Education Ministry accepts the recommendation of an independent research firm it commissioned to investigate the problem.

Tuition is determined not by the universities but by the Education Ministry, which together with the Jewish Agency covers between 70 and 80 per cent of the schools' budgets. At the Hebrew University, for instance, only 10 per cent of the IL30m. current budget is covered by tuition fees.

The share of tuition in covering overall costs therefore may rise to 30 or even 40 per cent.

Leaders of the Student Union at the H.U. campus yesterday would not comment on the proposals. The Union has called a meeting for next Sunday, however, to discuss the issue.

The 28-page study, prepared by the firm of economic and social research consultants headed by Nissim Baruch, offers four alternatives.

Two of them set tuition at IL10,000 and two at IL7,000. The plans all recognize the principle of graded fees (fee grades suggested). The differences between them are mainly in the extent to which students are to be helped through scholarships.

In an entirely new approach the grading is based on the income of the students' family. This is a touchy subject since many students wish to be independent of their parents; many others have already formed their own family units and some are parents in their own right.

The proposal foresees the full IL10,000 fee only for students from families where the monthly income per member exceeds IL2,000. In the case of a family with two children, this would mean an income of over IL8,000 a month.

Another new feature of the plan is a 10-per cent reduction in tuition to students for every year of military or national service. There is also provision for assistance to students from development towns.

Druse will get jobs in Defence plants

Defence industries will henceforth employ members of the Druse community, according to Amos Eran, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office.

Eran, who serves as chairman of the inter-departmental committee on Druse affairs, made the announcement after a meeting between the committee and young Druse representatives.

CORRECTION

In a recent report on Knesset Members' opposition to payment by the Government for full-page advertisements in last Friday's "Ma'ariv," The Post inadvertently stated that one of the advertisers — The Jerusalem College of Technology — is supported by the Religious Affairs Ministry. Actually, the school is supported by the Government, along with other institutions of higher learning.

Antebi murder suspect assaulted in jail

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Azar Cohen, a suspect in the murder of reputed gangland figure David ("Dudu") Antebi, was attacked Tuesday evening by fellow prisoners in the Kfar Yona jail, it was announced yesterday.

Prisons Commissioner Arye Nir said the attack took place while Cohen was returning to his cell after having consulted his lawyer. Cohen was rushed to Hlil Yoffe Hospital in Hadera for treatment; he was transferred yesterday to the Prisons Service hospital in Ramle.

Cohen's lawyer, Mr. Shlomo Tussia-Cohen, said yesterday his client suffered superficial stab wounds, mainly on the face and chest. He believed Cohen would be able to attend the first court hearing of the case, set for this Sunday in Jerusalem.

The attorney said he had not yet talked with his client, and was therefore unable to confirm a report in an evening paper alleging that Cohen believes his attackers were the men who murdered Antebi.

Cohen, 25, was charged on December 23 with the murder of Dudu Antebi, whose bullet-riddled body was found by Antebi's brother in the Jerusalem Forest early in December. It is believed Antebi was the victim of an underworld settling of accounts.

According to the charge sheet, on the night of November 21 Cohen had gone to Jerusalem's Spanish Colony nightclub and persuaded Antebi to step outside with him. Later that night Cohen, together with others, allegedly killed Antebi in cold blood with five shots from a revolver.

Eldridge Cleaver

(Continued from Page 1)
nizers that they now swallow hook, line, and sinker, every half-baked argument emanating from the wise men of the General Assembly. I believe that the time has come to reexamine the credentials of all the members of the General Assembly. Why should all those little so-called countries with minuscule populations have a vote equal in weight to that of the United States? When such votes are cast in the wreckless manner of the anti-Zionist resolution, it is time to sit up and take notice.

The so-called hard line adopted at the UN by Ambassador Moynihan seems too soft to me, and the support which he is getting in certain political circles is softer still. But the stakes in the struggle in the international arena are high. The General Assembly is no longer filled with Mahatma Gandhis pleading the case of the down-trodden colonized masses. It is now a forum for crude hired killers like Idi Amin Dada, the hatchet man of Uganda.

But it is not enough to criticize the negative aspects of the UN in print and fiery speeches, and then lose the crucial votes when the chips are down. Concrete steps must be taken to render the UN structurally incapable of cynical manipulation by hypocritical power blocs that devour freedom in the name of a just cause and undermine democratic principles with a wreckless distortion of the right to vote.

It may seem paradoxical that I write these words from a prison cell in California. I am certainly not a stranger to racism — I have personally experienced it in the ghettos and prison yards of America. But I have also personally shared the experience of thousands of men and women now languishing in the prisons of Communist and Third World countries. The cause of democracy and freedom can best be served when men and women speak out against the forces that seek to quill them, even if this means speaking out from a prison cell.

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Marxists in big Angola push; fear of intervention by Zaire

JOHANNESBURG. — The Soviet-backed MPLA (Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola), spearheaded by Cuban troops, has mounted a major offensive along five fronts in Angola's civil war, according to reports reaching Johannesburg yesterday.

Heavy fighting was reported in northern Angola, with a series of MPLA victories against the pro-Western FNLA (National Front for the Liberation of Angola). Battles also were reported in four separate regions of southern Angola against pro-Western UNITA (National Union) troops — between Luso and Henrique de Carvalho, near Teixeira de Sousa close to Zaire, north of Novo Redondo, and around Mucunda near the former Nova Lisboa.

The MPLA offensive appears aimed at winning quick military victories, to make up for its failure to get last weekend's Organization of African Unity summit in Addis Ababa to recognize it as sole Angolan government.

The MPLA was reported to have captured the vital port of Ambriz, the FNLA military headquarters, and its key airfield. Ambriz was reportedly abandoned after being

shelled by Soviet tanks, strafed by helicopter gunships and subjected to concentrated rocket attacks.

The conservative "Daily Telegraph" of London reported from Luanda, Angola's MPLA-held capital, that the last FNLA-held town in northeast Angola, Santo Antonio, now appears threatened.

Angola's richest offshore oil fields are located off Santo Antonio; much of the FNLA's war supplies in recent months have been channelled from Zaire via the town, and despite the MPLA's massive superiority in Soviet armour and firepower, the FNLA is expected to put up a blood battle to hold it.

There are a reported 7,000 Cuban combat troops spearheading the MPLA offensive along with Soviet tanks and heavy-calibre artillery.

At Teixeira de Sousa in east Angola — near the Zaire border — a Zaire plane reportedly bombed and strafed the railway station, killing six and wounding five. Yugoslavia's official "Tanjug" news agency reported yesterday from Luanda that the attack took place on Tuesday.

The British-owned Benguela railway, which until the fighting carried copper from Zaire and Zambia, en-

ters Angola at Teixeira de Sousa. In Brussels reliable diplomatic sources said yesterday that Zaire and the conquering MPLA may engage in open armed conflict as the Soviet-backed movement continues to drive the pro-Western FNLA nearer to the borders of Zaire, the former Belgian Congo.

The hard pressed anti-Communist Angolans are now expected to begin recruiting mercenaries. Unita leader Jonas Savimbi had said last week that if the OAU emergency summit failed to endorse a proposal for a government of national unity, he would seek arms and "advisers" anywhere — expect the U.S.

Savimbi made it clear UNITA was not prepared to accept mercenaries from the U.S. because he feared this might sour relations between Washington and the anti-Communist movements in Angola. Instead, Savimbi said he was looking to America to reverse a Senate decision to cut off military aid and help him with the weapons he needs, especially artillery and armour-ed cars.



Patricia Hearst on her way to a special hearing on Wednesday. (AP radiophoto)

Patricia Hearst breaks silence

SAN FRANCISCO. — Patricia Hearst broke her silence of the four months since her capture to testify on Wednesday that a government psychiatrist had driven her to hysteria by asking accusing questions.

In a surprise move by her defence, the jailed heiress took the stand at a special hearing called to consider defence complaints about the conduct of the psychiatrist, Dr. Harry Kozol of Boston.

"Everything was like an accusation," she said in a soft but firm voice. "He didn't care what I said or didn't say."

Miss Hearst was asked about her January 7 meeting with Dr. Kozol, one of a number of psychiatrists who have examined her prior to her January 26 trial on federal bank robbery charges. The examinations are for possible use as expert testimony about her mental state.

(AP)

Jewish protest at Anglo-Soviet event

LONDON. — Five women disrupted an Anglo-Soviet lunch yesterday at the Ritz Hotel to protest the treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union.

The Ambassador, Nikolai Lunov, was talking to members of the British-Soviet Chamber of Commerce at a private banquet room.

Five women, members of the Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry, tried to enter the room, shouting anti-Soviet slogans. Officials forced them out.

(Reuter)

IRA declares war on top civil servants

BELFAST. — The Irish Republican Army's Provisional wing Wednesday declared war on top British civil servants in Northern Ireland and disclosed it had made bomb attacks on the homes of four officials 11 days ago.

The Provisional's Belfast Brigade said the high-ranking officials "share as much responsibility for the oppression in our country as do the warlords of the British army."

The government's Northern Ireland Office confirmed the four unreported bomb attacks had taken place, soon after IRA-linked Roman Catholic extremists massacred 10 Protestant workmen in the "murder triangle" of South Armagh County, on the border with the Irish Republic. Two of the bombs exploded, but caused no casualties, a spokesman said. The other two devices were defused by army experts.

The IRA's warning, the bombings and recent thinly-veiled threats of violence were seen by intelligence sources as the buildup to calling off the cease-fire to which the IRA agreed 11 months ago.

The cease-fire, negotiated with senior British officials in Ulster, began February 10 last year, but more than 200 persons have been killed in Northern Ireland in terrorist acts since then.

The Northern Ireland Office said there was little chance of any more meetings between government officials and the IRA's political front, Sinn Féin.

Regular clandestine meetings had kept the cease-fire relatively intact, preventing any wide-scale IRA action, but none has taken place since November.

A Sinn Féin spokesman Wednesday night reinforced fears that the Provisional's ruling seven-man Army Council will soon call off the truce by saying the negotiations "were now a dead duck."

(AP)

The Vatican sets out sex code for Catholics

VATICAN CITY. — The Vatican said yesterday premarital sex, homosexual relations and masturbation are sins that can never be condoned, but only God can judge the degree of guilt of each sinner.

An unprecedented contemporary sexual code for Roman Catholics condemned modern society's "unbridled exaltation of sex" and said there was no acceptable sexual activity outside marriage. It said some premarital theologians erred in saying there could be no mortal sin in sex.

"You can be quite certain that nobody who actually indulges in fornication or impurity or promiscuity — which is worshipping a false god — can inherit anything of the Kingdom of God," the document quoted from St. Paul.

But it also said the guilt of individual sinners, such as reputedly incurable homosexuals, "will be judged with prudence."

"The Church is not trying to substitute herself for the merciful judgment of God," the Rev. Roberto Tucci said at a news conference. The document did not change any traditional Church doctrines on sex, but pressed with unusual candour the Vatican's rejection of modern society's — and some of its own theologians' — arguments for liberalising sexual ethics.

Pope Paul VI ordered and approved the 20-page "Declaration on Certain Questions Concerning Sexual Ethics" issued by the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vatican's watchdog body on Church dogma, once called the Inquisition.

Tucci said press reports that the document condemned sex for pleasure were misleading. "They are entirely on a wrong path," Tucci said. "The Church has nothing against pleasure. In fact, it is fully in favour of sexual pleasure, so long as it is exercised in a legitimate way in marriage."

(AP)

Kuwait to buy Soviet arms

KUWAIT. — Kuwait said yesterday that it has concluded an agreement with the Soviet Union.

Finance Minister Abdul-Rahman Salem Atiqi told a news conference that "as Kuwait bought arms from the U.S., so we also bought arms from the Soviet Union."

He said that the deal, Kuwait's first with the Soviet Union, had a special political significance and added that "America and states should understand the significance of the new deal."

"The day will come when America will realize that its continuous supply to Israel will compel it to seek new avenues for this purpose."

(AP)

Chou given final tribute

HONG KONG. — China's last paid final tribute to the late Premier Chou En-lai at a memorial service yesterday and then had ashes scattered across the land which he fought and served more than 50 years.

The solemn ceremony, attended by more than 5,000 persons, marked a week of national mourning which saw the greatest pouring of grief for any Chinese leader in modern history.

Teng Hsiao-ping, the man who succeeded Chou as premier, said Chou held for more than 26 years, delivered the nation's "Comrade Chou En-lai's life — one of glorious struggle for the cause of Communism."

"He is an example that the party, the whole army and people of the whole country should learn from."

The New China News Agency reporting on the service said hours after it was held, said, "to Chou En-lai's ashes are scattered in the rivers and on the land of our motherland in accordance with the wishes he expressed in his death."

(AP)

Peron reshuffle her Cabinet

BUENOS AIRES. — President Isabel Peron yesterday reshuffled her eight-man Cabinet, dropping four ministers and assigning four new portfolios to new ministers.

The announcement came in wake of recent speculation that would undertake a major reshuffle in an attempt to strengthen her position. The President had been under sustained pressure for months to resign or take leave of absence.

Earlier yesterday, the press said the President had demanded resignation of all her ministers. She later announced that Interior Minister Angel Roldo, the most influential minister in her Cabinet, had been replaced by Roberto San, Chairman of the Banco de Nacion (Bank of the Nation).

(AP)

Laos forces put on alert

BANGKOK. — The fledgling Lao government has put its forces on alert because of "resistance" throughout much of the country, the government radio yesterday.

In a broadcast monitored in Bangkok, Lao national radio said reactionaries had been killed, a prisoner or wounded in clashes with the Lao People's Liberation Forces... during the two months.

The new government announced on December 2 that the monarch and the former coalition government of rightists, centrists and leftists had been abolished, and had a new administration with a Vietnamese Pathet Lao leader, Phoumphanh as Prime Minister.

The report said the group fled to Thailand across the Mekong River border and re-entered Laos "to create disturbances and murder the Pathet Lao."

(AP)

France had 'no part' in CIA exposure

PARIS. — The Interior Ministry said yesterday that French Intelligence played no part in exposing the identities of 44 U.S. foreign service officials said to be working for the Central Intelligence Agency here.

The alleged CIA agents, all attached to the U.S. Embassy in Paris, were named over the past two days by the radical left-wing newspaper "Liberation."

A statement by Interior Minister Michel Poniatowski said the information for the disclosures "clearly came from abroad," although French security services had themselves identified and kept a watch on most foreign agents here. "These agents are taken before the state security court if they are guilty of recognized espionage activities."

The Poniatowski statement appeared to have been prompted by suggestions here that French secret agents had deliberately tipped off "Liberation."

U.S. officials have expressed serious concern at the disclosures because of the possible danger to American foreign service personnel. An American diplomat in Athens, Mr. Richard Welch, was

murdered last month after the Greek press named him as a prominent CIA agent.

"Liberation" acknowledged yesterday that it had received help from abroad in drawing up its CIA list. It said it asked the U.S. magazine "Counterspy" to verify certain names.

"Liberation" dismissed charges here that it was taking part in any international plot against the CIA. "Our inquiry was carried out under our responsibility and ours alone," it said.

(Reuter)

The Company for Reconstruction & Development in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City in Jerusalem

In our notice published January 11, 1976, we gave details of a tender for

WORKSHOPS IN THE JEWISH QUARTER

The last date for submitting bids for these workshops is January 30, 1976.

Data will be available at the Company's Population Department until January 23, 1976.

Visits to the workshops will be held: January 18, 1976, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. January 20, 1976, 12 noon-2 p.m. January 23, 1976, 10 a.m.-12 noon

(AP)

ISRAEL LANDS ADMINISTRATION ALLOCATION OF LAND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING — BEERSHEBA DISTRICT

1. Bids are invited from those wishing to sign a development agreement for the following:

2. The form giving the conditions applying to the tender, and additional information are available at the Administration's Beersheba office, 35 Rehov Ha'atma'ut, Beersheba, on normal working hours.

3. Bids must be submitted only on the "Bid form for housing development" and in accordance with the conditions referred to in para. 2 above.

4. Bids must be placed in the tender box at the above office on February 18, 1976, and later not found in the box at any time will not be considered.

5. No undertaking is given to accept the highest or any bid.

Swiss on look-out for Carlos

BERNE. — Swiss police and frontier guards have been ordered to look out for "Carlos," the internationally-wanted terrorist leader, following indications that he might be planning an operation in the country, a Justice Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The Ministry said all police headquarters, customs authorities and airports had been urged to tighten security as part of an intensive search for the 26-year-old Venezuelan whose real name is believed to be Ilich Ramirez Sanchez.

The warnings of impending terrorist action in Switzerland were reported to have come from some of the hostages seized by the terrorist group which stormed the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) last month. The terrorists were led by a man who identified himself as Carlos.

The Ministry spokesman said the leader told the hostages that he planned an operation in Switzerland in January. Carlos also boasted that he had frequently been able to enter and leave Switzerland.

Police in Berne, Zurich and other major cities passed on the warning in letters to proprietors of hotels, restaurants and cafes, enclosing a photograph of Carlos and asking them to report suspicious guests immediately. The spokesman said the search was not confined to Carlos but extended to "other recognized members of terrorist groups."

(Reuter)

Soviets invite Nato observers

BRUSSELS. — In the first move of its kind, the Soviet Union has invited two Nato countries — Greece and Turkey — to send observers to military manoeuvres it is staging near the Turkish and Iranian borders later this month, diplomatic sources said here yesterday.

The sources said that no other member of the Western alliance had received invitations, but it is understood other countries in South-eastern Europe, including Yugoslavia, have been asked to send observers.

Under the terms of the final declaration of the East-West European Security Conference in Helsinki last July, signatories were obliged to give prior notification of military manoeuvres involving more than 25,000 men. But it was left to the countries there to decide whether to invite observers.

(Reuter)

Clashes in Tunis

TUNIS. — Twenty-six policemen were injured in clashes with students protesting against the dismissal from university of 20 of their colleagues.

(Reuter)

ISRAEL LANDS ADMINISTRATION LEASING OF AN INDUSTRIAL PLOT IN THE HAIFA DISTRICT

The following plot is offered on a long-term lease, for the building of industrial structures and workshops:

Tender No. 58/75/b Location Block Plot Approx. area 58/75/b Tel Hanan 1423 45 a 2,281 sq.m.

The allocation of the plot is dependent on the applicant's obtaining a recommendation from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Details, sample agreements, the agreement form, and the bid form are available at the Haifa District Office, 13 Derech Ha'atma'ut, Haifa, during normal working hours.

Last date for requesting a recommendation from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry: February 12, 1976.

Last date for submitting bids: March 31, 1976 (12 noon). Bids must be placed in the tender box at the Administration's office at the above address. No undertaking is given to accept the highest or any bid.

(AP)

ISRAEL LANDS ADMINISTRATION LEASING OF PLOT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF COMMERCIAL CENTRE IN JERUSALEM

The following plot is offered on a long-term lease for the construction of a commercial centre in Jerusalem:

Tender No. Location Block No. Parcel Plot Approx. Construction Area 1/76/ym Sanhedria 3624 1 1 350 sq.m.

Details, sample agreements, agreement form and bid form are available at our Jerusalem District Office, 6 Rehov Shamai, Jerusalem, during normal working hours.

Last date for submitting bids: February 18, 1976 (12 noon). No undertaking is given to accept the highest or any bid.

(AP)

Fears that Congress may trim aid to Israel

By WOLF BLITZER Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Congress resumes consideration of the Administration's pending foreign aid bills next week amid growing concern among pro-Israeli legislators that Israel's \$2.4b. economic and military aid package could be reduced unless the bills are quickly approved.

These senators and representatives fear that Israel's pending aid reauthorization for the current fiscal year could be confused with aid programme for the next fiscal year, which President Ford will submit to Congress shortly. According to informed American sources, the Administration has determined that Israel should be initially earmarked to receive only \$1.6b. in aid next year, a decision that Israeli officials will try to change.

From the standpoint of public relations, pro-Israeli congressmen are concerned that some key legislators might combine the two sums — \$2.24b. and \$1.6b. — and conclude that Israel is receiving nearly \$4b. This sounds like a very large amount, and, therefore, pro-Israeli congressmen want to separate the two figures.

Thus, following the return of congressmen from recess next week, the legislators will attempt to speed up action on the pending bills for the current fiscal year. It is hoped that this year's bills will be passed before the President submits his new package for the next fiscal year.

Golda denies she ignored the Palestinian issue

Jerusalem Post Staff

WASHINGTON. — Former Prime Minister Golda Meir denied Wednesday that she disregards the importance of solving the Palestinian problem, a charge she has often been accused of during recent years.

In an article published in the "New York Times," Mrs. Meir insisted that there is no room for speculation regarding Israel's position on the PLO if the terrorist organization should accept Israel's right to exist. But, she continued, "this does not mean that at this stage I disregard whatever national aspirations Palestinian Arabs have developed in recent years."

Claiming that she has been regularly misquoted regarding her

controversial statement made several years ago that "there is no Palestinian people," Mrs. Meir said that the rest of that statement did affirm that "there are Palestinian refugees."

Mrs. Meir is currently in London on a short private visit. At a lunch in her honour, attended by British Foreign Secretary James Callaghan, Liberal Party leader Jeremy Thorpe, British political and trade union leaders and prominent Jewish personalities, she said that "if anyone fought against the idea of Palestine and the idea of a Palestinian people it was the Arabs."

She recalled that in 1956 PLO leader Ahmed Shukeiri had said there was never such a thing as Palestine — it was Southern Syria.

(AP)

Serial rights of woman's book are sold for \$150,000

NEW YORK. — American serial rights of a book by Judith Campbell Exner about her alleged intimate relationship with the late President Kennedy, Frank Sinatra, and a leading member of the underworld were sold last night for \$150,000, it was announced yesterday.

Scott Meredith, head of the Scott Meredith Literary Agency, told a press conference the rights were bought by the mass-circulation weekly, "The National Enquirer."

Another \$100,000 contract for British rights was completed yesterday and book rights were being auctioned, he said. Meredith estimated the book will be worth \$2 million.

He said Mrs. Exner will fully describe sexual relationships with John Kennedy, the late reputed

mafia leader Sam "Momo" Giancana and Frank Sinatra in her forthcoming book.

An outline of the book submitted to publishers said Mrs. Exner, 41, began a sexual involvement with Kennedy during a four-day tryst at New York's Plaza Hotel in March, 1960, about a month after she was introduced to him in Las Vegas by Frank Sinatra.

In the outline of her planned memoirs Mrs. Exner claimed that Kennedy once told her his marriage was in poor shape and that only Kennedy family intervention had kept the marriage intact, "making Jack realize that a divorced Catholic from Boston stood little chance of gaining the nomination, let alone the Presidency."

Mrs. Exner and Kennedy parted amiably and without bitterness

because it "simply had become too difficult to maintain the relationship, with the constant need for secrecy and the pressures and demands Kennedy had to meet," the outline said.

About two weeks after she began her reported liaison with Kennedy, Mrs. Exner was introduced to Giancana at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami Beach, also by Sinatra, the book outline said.

"At first Judith and Sam were just friends, but as her relationship with Kennedy became more difficult to continue, they became lovers as well, and before long he asked her to marry him, which she refused," the outline continued.

Mrs. Exner has described Giancana as a better lover than Kennedy, Meredith said.

The book outline said that in the early fall of 1969, Sinatra, whom Mrs. Exner said she had known for many years, began asking her out on dates and their relationship became "romantic."

"Judith soon found, though, that she could not accept Sinatra's approach to sex after discovering that his tastes ran into areas which might be termed kinky, and so she insisted that the relationship go no further," the book outline said.

Meredith said Mrs. Exner was living "terrified for her life" in a caravan in San Diego, California. She will employ a ghost writer — "she's a lover, not a writer," Meredith added.

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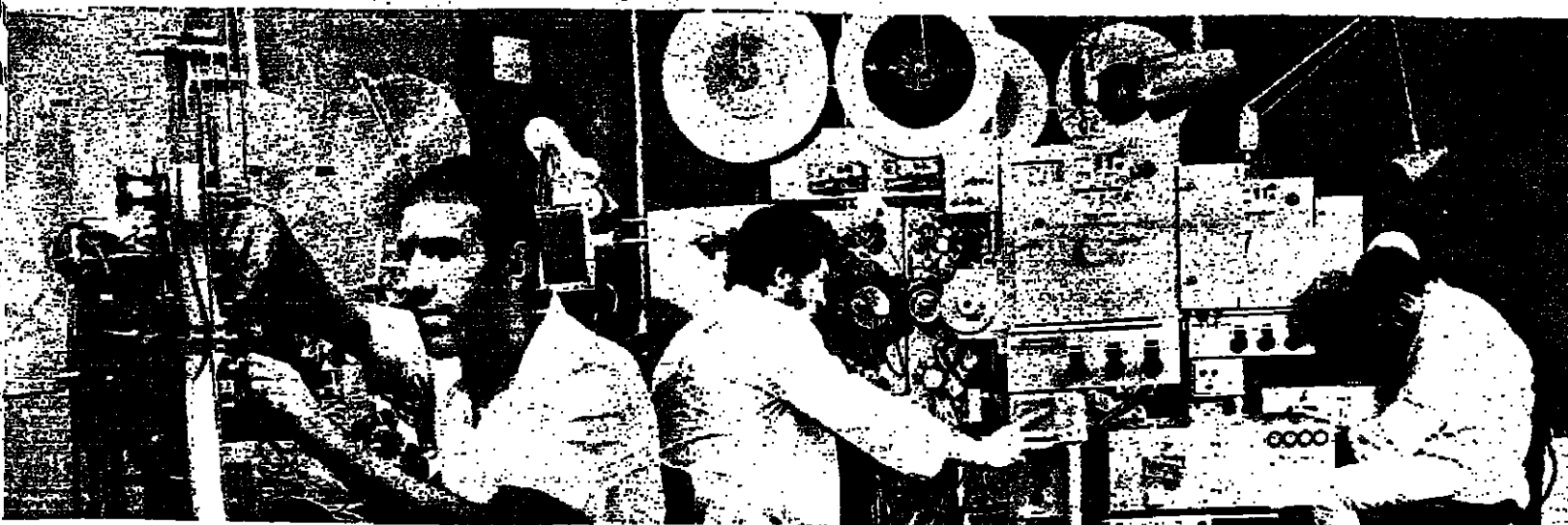
3. Bids must be received by February 8, 1976.

4. No undertaking is given to accept the highest or any bid.

P.O.B. 7138, Jerusalem

(AP)

הכנת האוכל



Technical services in Israel, such as the film laboratories above, may be more efficient than in Tunisia, but are they more efficient and more attractive financially than those in Greece?

Movies and Israel

Cinema
By Simson Carlebach

SHOULD YOU INQUIRE in film circles abroad about movies and Israel, the general reaction would be not necessarily in this order: that the Israeli public has the largest proportion of movie-goers of any country outside of Japan; that bearing in mind the standards of its activities and services, Israel is a reasonably cheap place to make a film; and that Israeli films themselves are quite lousy.

Like most general observations, these are probably dated by the time they're widely accepted. The year 1975 did see 30 million cinema tickets sold here, but even this considerable number marks a steady trend downward — 5 per cent less than 1974, and 1974 was down from the 1973 figures, and so on. Also, had the census been taken of people rather than tickets, the spiral would be far more dramatic an omen, as a smaller number of people are gradually buying a greater portion of the tickets.

The proposed change in the American Tax Shelter System will affect our film making industry, and certainly not for the better. The American Tax authorities, concerned about the outward flow of dollars resulting from American films being shot in other countries, are taking steps to curtail such migrations. American filmmakers have, in the past, been able to escape from paying their home taxes while taking advantage of industrial incentives in developing countries and this is to be topped.

When I asked Ezra Sason of the film division of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and Yehoshua Abileah, head of the Film Centre, about these developments, they didn't appear to be unduly concerned. They took the view that since 11 countries will be affected by the

change, Israel will retain its relatively good position in hosting foreign co-productions. Certain countries, such as Morocco and Tunisia, may be cheaper places to make films, but Israel can rely on its reputation of efficiency to attract filmmakers.

They pointed out certain considerations favouring their view. That only a portion of a film budget goes on shooting expenses, so the new change isn't really all that important to producers. That Germany is planning a Tax Shelter System of its own, so American or British co-productions can come here via Germany. And in any case, they aren't convinced that it was the Tax Shelter which brought films here.

IT SEEMS to me worth mentioning, however, that as the change is designed to restrict American film-making ventures to America, the fact that every foreign country will be affected does little to ease the fear that our country will suffer by the measure. Israel's reputation for efficiency is certainly a great point in its favour, but there are other efficient countries, Greece for instance, which offer far greater financial incentives than Israel. I am not suggesting that Israel should increase its incentives — that is a matter for others to study and decide — but I am suggesting that pointing to Tunisia may be a worthwhile

advertising ploy, but not a very important factor in formulating an overall policy, to induce filmmakers to come here.

It is true that only a portion of a film budget goes toward shooting expenses; but Israel has developed extensive facilities for all stages of film production. The shooting budget only certainly ought not to be the only consideration of foreign producers. And I suspect that there are better ways of determining whether the Tax Shelter brought films here than waiting to see the effect of its repealment.

The third general reaction we began with was the reputation our local films have abroad. Film circles tend to be highbrow, and while their judgement is, perhaps, justified, our films haven't been doing so badly on a commercial basis. One might therefore suppose that there will be little change in this regard.

Local receipts from Israeli films released last year show that more than one-third of them recovered their expenses. Compared with other small countries, this is a healthy figure, for it doesn't take into account a film's export sales.

"Salomonico" grossed IL300,000; "Shalom" IL200,000; "Diamant" IL300,000; "My Michael" IL250,000; "Day of Judgement" IL170,000 and "Three and One" IL100,000.

The highbrow opinion does gather force, however, when we consider that movies are fast becoming world-wide enterprises. Film is an international language, and the production of a good picture is too expensive for parochial recoupment only. The fact is that investors here

are going in more and more for local-interest films, for sure-fire, quick money, in-and-out investments, which I take to be a bad sign.

ON THE RECOMMENDATION of the Public Committee on Price Control, there will no longer be a set fee for cinema tickets. Israeli films, for some reason, used to cost IL10, while other films were IL7.50, unless they were of unusual length, in which case they also cost IL10. Cinema-house owners wanted to raise the prices, and it was decided, instead, to abolish price control entirely.

This will mean that we will get some films at cheaper prices, and the good films — which people want specifically to see — will go up in price. Which isn't necessarily a bad thing; except that, keeping the local trends mentioned in mind, I foresee more and more cinema houses devoting themselves to the cheaper films. Bad pictures can be imported, if need be, for pennies a yard, and if a film is showing around the corner for double the price of yours, you have your market in the bag.

The abolition of price controls should also mean the vague hope that cinema houses will improve in facilities and comfort, which, as everyone knows, leave much to be desired. When taken to task for the poor conditions, the Cinema Owners Association argued that they cannot improve their facilities unless they are allowed to charge for the additional expense. Well, now they are. They received the news of price control abolition with murmurs of how this will mean a better deal for everyone concerned. It is up to the public to see that this actually happens.

When you pay IL10-15 for your next cinema ticket, make sure that with it comes more than the right to sit on a cold, creaking, splintered, box-seat.

EERIE FIGURES of painted wood, cloth and dangling rope seem to float in mid-air, their black-clad manipulators blending into the dark curtain beyond.

This surrealistic combination of puppets and human players, which had its premiere at the Jerusalem Travia Club last Saturday evening, was not meant to thrill children (there was no one under 20 in sight), but to impart a message to adults.

Misunderstanding that leads to conflict between nations was one of the themes depicted by the Kav Puppet Players. Ten native Israelis and new immigrants had worked together for many months on the shows, cutting expenses to a paltry IL500 by making almost everything — from puppets to scenery — themselves.

In the "Kite and the Wind," based on a story by science fiction writer Ray Bradbury, the mandarin of a Chinese city discovers that the walls of a neighbouring town are in the

THEATRE / JUDY SIEGEL

Puppet show for adults

shape of a wild boar, thus posing a threat to his own, which are in the shape of an orange. He orders his walls to be rebuilt to resemble a stick in order to frighten away the seemingly aggressive boar. Viewing this action as aggression, the mandarin of the other town in turn shapes his walls to look like fire, setting off a chain reaction of constant changes in each city's walls.

Finally, searching for an end to tension, the two leaders decide to build the walls of one city to look like the wind, and the other in the form of a kite, each being complementary to

the other, and harmony finally reigns between the two neighbours.

The puppet show for adults is the latest effort by the Jerusalem Travia to revive itself after many years of dormancy in its 79-year-old building at 38 Rehov King George. Steven Solomons, a new immigrant from England who is Travia's new director, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he hopes to make the club a draw for all kinds of adults — new immigrants and veteran Israelis, college students and the older set. Recitals by up-and-coming musicians, chosen after recommendations from teachers at the Rubin Academy, original plays, and round-table discussions are scheduled.

"While I once had trouble bringing in 30 people," says Solomons, "I now have to turn away dozens because of a full house." Though identified with Mapam, Jerusalem Travia is also open to divergent views. Later this month it will feature a discussion by supporters of Gush Emunim.

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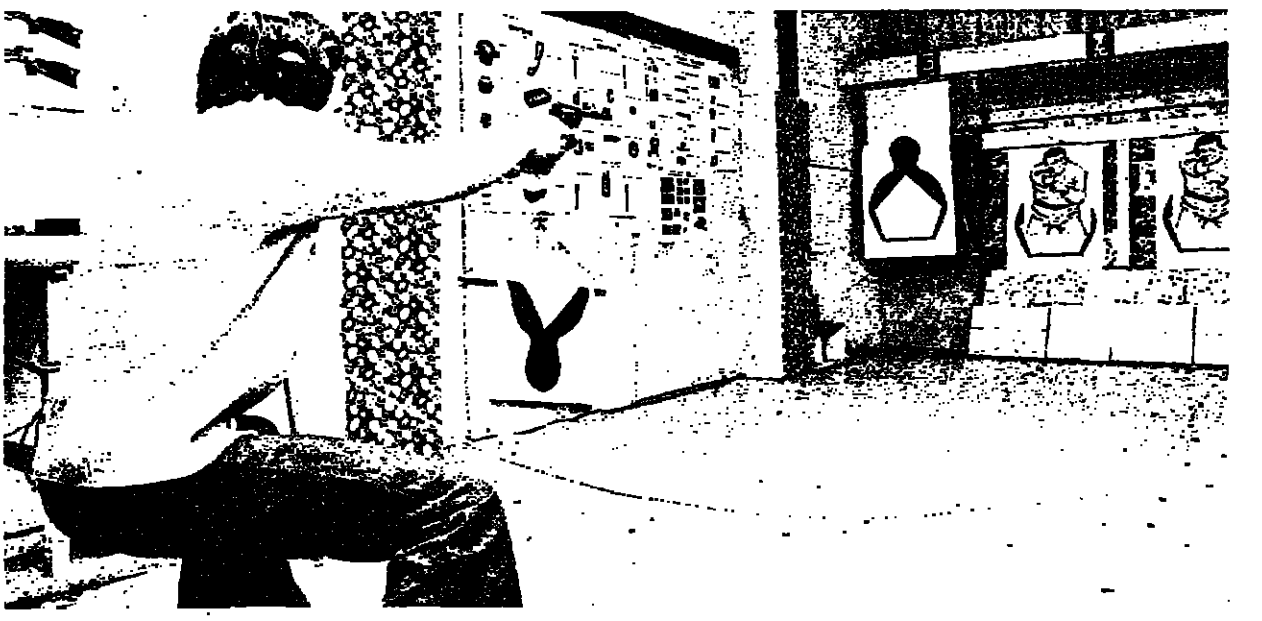
A hard pill to swallow

point can be called one of the Russian master's more valuable compositions.

Shmuel Friedman conducted the Jerusalem Symphony in tight and concentrated performances and was in firm command at all times. The orchestra responded fully to his dedicated and precise leadership

and, coping proficiently with all the technical demands, gave impressive performances of otherwise quite inferior music. Soloist Merut Israeli played the piano part in the Concerto with dedication worthy of a better cause. It is hard to understand why a pianist should devote hundreds of hours learning such a score.

The Symphony is far too long but, at least, has some redeeming features, and Shmuel Friedman's deep involvement with the music helped to score a strong point for a weak cause. Friedman might be given more gratifying tasks and allow his talent to be displayed in other, more attractive works.



A shooting range has finally opened in Jerusalem at the S.W.S. (Security Watching Service) firearms shop on Rehov Ben Sira, after owner Haim Khimron spent more than a year trying to convince the police and municipality to give him a licence.

Hundreds of Jerusalem residents, many with little or no shooting experience, own firearms. The new range, designed for handguns, will enable them to learn to use their weapons under proper supervision. (Ben-Ami/Sunphot)

The Jews of Britain

The Jewish Scene
By Geoffrey Wigoder

IF THE MORE dynamic groups roasting Russia's treatment of its Jews is "the 35s," comprised of 35 women who were all 35-years-old when they first got together in London. Dressed in black, they made a riotous spectacular protests and here soon joined by many others, their activities did not always win the support of the Jewish establishment but this hardly worried the group, who have made a considerable impact.

The appearance of a militant women's group in Britain is less usual than in the U.S. where the feminist movement is more advanced specially in Jewish circles. But things are beginning to move in Britain, too — according to an article by one Rose in "Present Tense," the excellent journal on world Jewish affairs published by the American Jewish Committee.

Some Jewish women in Britain are involved in Women's Lib and there are two Jewish women members of Parliament — but none are active in the community. According to one authority, the great majority of British Jewish women want to stay in the background, "and they still behave as though they were in a Polish village."

Murmurings have begun among

the younger generation, and voices are being heard condemning the patriarchal Jewish pattern of life and demanding a restructuring of the husband-wife relationship. It has now become normal for a Jewish girl to go to university whereas not long ago it was exceptional. It is also much more usual now for a girl in her twenties to take her own apartment or share it with a friend. And many young wives begin their married lives by working, at least until they have children. Divorce, too, is far more widespread, even among the Orthodox.

The major synagogue body, the United Synagogue, is still essentially a male preserve. Recently it descended to give women voting rights but the boards of synagogues are still by constitution "men only." The Chief Rabbinate has made the further concession of permitting syn-

agogue boards to invite a woman to advise them on matters of specific concern to female congregants (evoking among some women the reaction of "Big deal!").

However, the Board of Deputies of British Jews which 15 years ago had only three or four women members now has 40. Women's organisations, once centred round social and fundraising activities, have moved into other fields, notably education. The Reform Movement has also overcome barriers, and recently, ordained its first woman rabbi. There is also a woman currently heading the Reform movement; she recalls that when she was first elected to the synagogue council its president welcomed her at the first meeting by saying, "How nice to have a woman to pour the tea."

THE BOARD of Deputies of British Jews has been pursuing demographic projects through its research unit. On a recent visit to Israel, the unit's director, Dr. Harry Kozmin, told me of some of the findings. One interesting fact, for example, is that the young British Jew

is far less higher-education oriented than the young American or Soviet Jew. In the U.S. it is estimated that 80-90 per cent of young Jews go to university; in England, the number is less than 50 per cent. This is partly due to material considerations — the young Jew would rather go straight into the family business and earn a good living than embark on the long career of a medical student and end with the limited income foreseeable under the national health scheme.

Another fact mentioned by Dr. Kozmin is England's comparatively large Jewish working-class.

He recently completed a survey of Hackney, a borough in North London, with a considerable Jewish population (including the main concentration of ultra-Orthodox Jews in England). The borough's 30,000 Jews formed 14 per cent of the total population.

Dr. Kozmin explained that he had made his study of Hackney to remind the Jewish community that even in the 1970s a Jewish proletariat still exists in the inner city, with special needs that must not be forgotten. He hopes the British will learn from the mistakes of American society in dealing with the complex problems of poor multi-ethnic neighbourhoods.

discuss. Wise maintains 640 institutions serving 35,000 children. The government cannot allocate all the money we need because of budget cuts and economic difficulties. At the same time, our federations cannot raise as much as in the past because of the economic crisis in their own countries. Where will we go from here? Will we just manage to maintain the status quo (and if so how?) or can we continue to expand in spite of everything?"

One of the areas into which Wise wants to expand is work with the elderly. One such club has already been set up in part of a Wise day-nursery; at the planery it will be proposed to start such clubs during the morning hours in all of Wise's clubhouses.

A related project is "Beit Elavverah," a home designed for elderly Wise members now left without anyone to care for them. This would include both women from abroad who would like to settle here but need a place to live, as well as local women in need of an old age home who would prefer a Wise environment. "We got a gift of land in Kfar Shmaryahu and we have part of the money needed for construction."

Zionist Women's Year

By Lea Levavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILLION women in World Zionist want to do something about the U.N. anti-Zionist resolution. At the same time, they want to continue to expand their services to children, women and the aged in Israel — despite economic difficulties here and abroad. The question of how to do about this will occupy the planery session of the World Zionist Executive and the presidents of the organization's 10 largest affiliates plus members of the Israel Executive in a closed business meeting to be held from January 19 to 22.

"I proposed that an international women's conference of Jewish and non-Jewish women be held in Jerusalem next year," Raya Yaglom, president of World Zionist, told *The Jerusalem Post*. "Of course, the entire Zionist movement and probably the Foreign Ministry would be involved but Wise could

play a very important part. We will ask our Executive to furnish lists of women personalities in each of the countries in which we work — artists, writers, politicians, and so on. Remember that the International Women's Year conference in Mexico was the first to pass an anti-Zionist resolution and they are planning another gathering in Iran. We want to have our first, in the hope that women in high places will be persuaded to press their governments not to repeat the anti-Zionist performance."

Mrs. Yaglom also hopes the planery session will help Wise find new methods of spreading the message to Jews, non-Jews and governments — that Zionism is the Jewish people's national liberation movement. "I must say, our federations have been very active since the U.N. resolution, but we must do even more."

Another proposal to be raised at the planery is the idea of bringing 1000 women to a Wise convention here next December, as part of a "Zionist Women's Year." This will also include Wise tour groups from various countries and summer seminars for young people.

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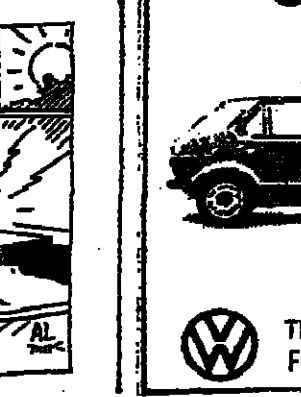
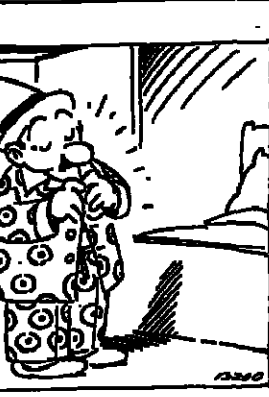
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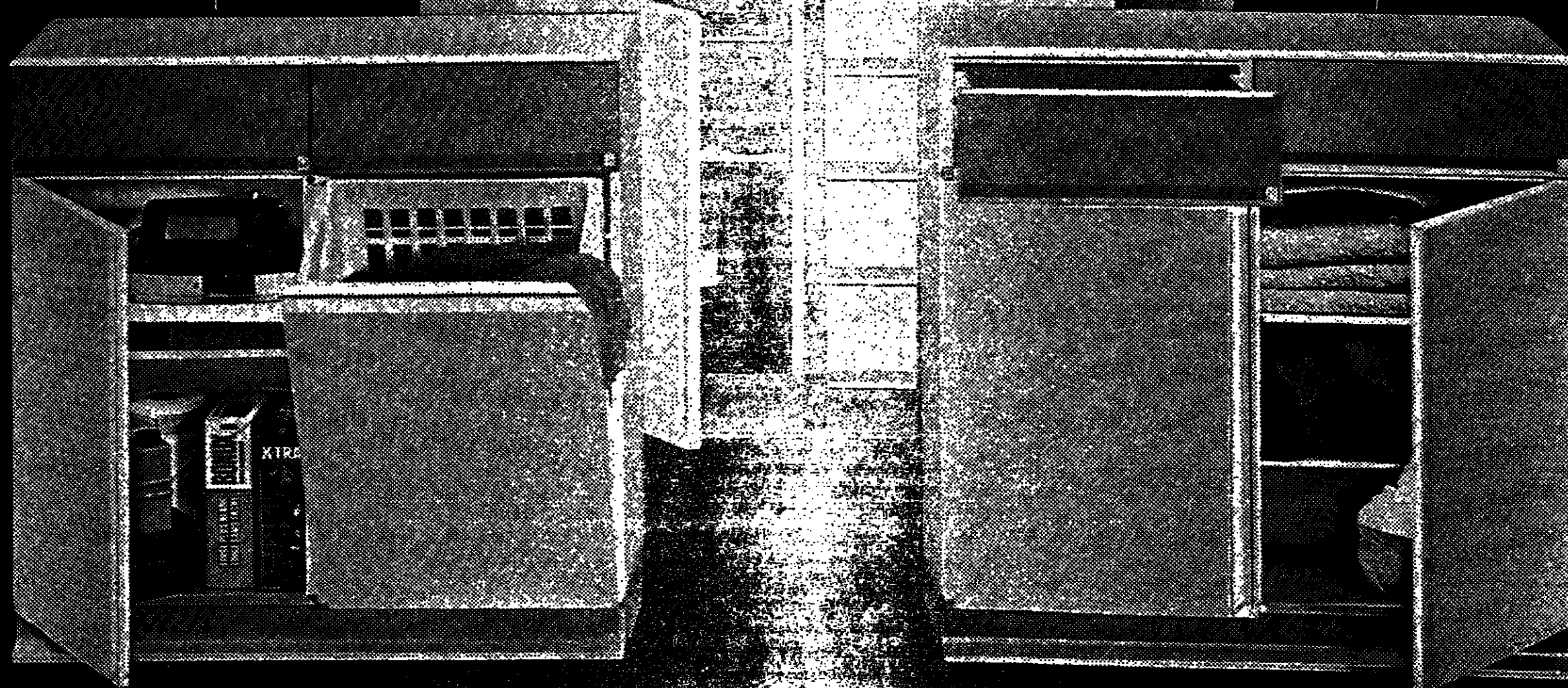
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مكزامن الأشهل

LEBANON vs THE PLO

THE CIVIL WAR in Lebanon has now entered its tenth month with rival Christian and Moslem leaders in the government arguing whether a cease-fire should or should not precede constitutional reforms.

The Moslem Prime Minister, Rashid Karami, seemingly a moderate, argues that once reforms are proclaimed it would be possible to muzzle the guns and give the Moslem majority an equal share in the administration which has been controlled by the Christians during the past three decades of Lebanon's independence.

Christian President Suleiman Franjeh, on the other hand, says that such reforms, which he accepts in part, should be debated in the legitimate constitutional institutions and not by force of arms. These reforms he insists should be discussed in the Lebanese parliament whose four-year term the government has now extended since it is impossible to hold new parliamentary elections under the prevailing conditions.

Sheikh Pierre Jemayyel, chief of the Phalange party, which is the backbone of Christian fighting forces, goes further to assert that Moslem demands for reforms can be tackled only after the restoration of the state's sovereignty and integrity. He argues that Lebanon has lost control over two thirds of the country to leftist revolutionaries and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). Their entrenchment is the major cause of the country's current civil strife.

Jemayyel's focal argument is that the civil war is not a Christian-Moslem war, but a manoeuvre of international communism which is behind the PLO's aim to turn Lebanon into a major base aimed at challenging Israel and "revisionists" in the Arab world.

Jemayyel's claims have apparently begun to sound convincing to a number of Moslem leaders, including Premier Karami, who gave no signs of being unhappy at Phalangist successes in the fighting this week.

The Christian militia which captured the Palestinian refugee camp of Dbaia, north of Beirut, no doubt enjoyed at least the passive support of the Lebanese army. In response, the leftists and the PLO stepped up their offensive yesterday calling the road to another besieged camp, Tel el-Za'ar, the "Danang Trail" and the rolling fields east of the city the "Mekong Delta."

The focal question now is where Syria stands with regard to the turn of events in Lebanon favourable to the Phalangists. By initiating a conference this weekend with Franjeh, Syrian President Hafez Assad appears to have decided to deploy his leverage with the Lebanese government — through Premier Karami's demand for Moslem equality with Christians — rather than backing the unpredictable and uncontrollable radicals. Furthermore, in order to guarantee tranquillity on their southern flank in Lebanon, the Syrians might well now seek cooperation between Premier Karami and a strong Christian head of state, and press Franjeh to step down in favour of another Christian, perhaps the commander of the Lebanese army, Maj. Gen. Hanna Sa'id.

Whatever the outcome of the Franjeh-Assad talks, the Syrians are intent on exercising control over Lebanon's politics. But the extent of that control will remain dependent on other Arab states. Libya and Iraq strongly back the Moslem-leftist demands for radical changes in the Lebanese government system. Egypt's President Sadat on the other hand has been ordering "hands off Lebanon" in order to combat Syria, which is challenging his position in the Arab world.

Thus while Lebanon is the scene of the fighting, the strings are being pulled in other Arab capitals.

EVERY MORNING brings new disclosures of "strong-arm" crimes committed by Israelis whose names and appearance indicate, according to the general public, that they are Oriental immigrants.

"We are seeing a revival of the allegations made in the early 'fifties, when Yigal Mossinson wrote the first version of *Casablanca*," says Elie Eliachar, former Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem and Member of the Knesset, a founder of the World Sephardi Federation and a lifetime defender of his community. "I don't admit that all criminals are Sephardim, nor do I admit that all Sephardim are criminals. These are the kinds of slurs aimed at Jews as a whole in the Diaspora when a Jew is found guilty of some highly publicized crime. As it happens, Ashkenazim have been guilty of white collar crimes involving tens of millions of dollars. Nobody says that all Ashkenazim are a bad element."

"Yet, even if some Sephardim have taken to crime, it is little wonder that they have done so: for decades I have warned the people running the country that these youngsters would be driven into delinquency. But my voice was a voice crying in the wilderness. One prime minister always answered, 'We have done so much for them: what more can they want?' Notice the phrasing — 'we' and 'they.'"

"In the early years of the state, Israel brought in hundreds of thousands of Jews from North Africa and the Middle East. Today, Sephardim constitute 55 per cent of the population of Israel, although they form only eight per cent of the Jews in the world. They responded to the call of the Return, while most of the Ashkenazim stayed where they were. Almost all the Sephardim came here destitute. They had lived for centuries under despotic rulers, who kept them isolated and insulated from the enlightenment that swept Europe after the Napoleonic wars. It is no wonder that they were less fitted than the Ashkenazim for the kind of modern industrial society that Israel was building, with all the political and class distinctions unknown in the world they left behind them."

"What happened to them here? They were not given equal opportunities in housing. From *ma'abarot* they were moved to instant slums, with families of ten living in apartments of 40 square metres, without a chair or a table where each child could do his homework. By the time housing conditions were improved for the heads of the fami-

Recent arrests of many Jews from Oriental lands on charges of running protection rackets and other branches of organised crime have revived allegations that these Jews are "a bad element" among the immigrants to Israel.

ELIE ELIACHAR, veteran leader of the Sephardi community in Israel, defends the community vigorously in an interview with PHILIP GILLON. Eliachar is also a prime mover in the newly established Israel Peace Committee which favours "dealing with any Palestinian group willing to accept Israel." This week, members of the Jerusalem Sephardi Council announced that they were taking action to expel Eliachar because of his political activities.



The perils of neglecting the Sephardi community

ly, the children had grown up and married, but no thought was given to their needs for housing outside the parental home. This overcrowding naturally developed promiscuity. Furthermore, young children were handicapped out of the educational race before it had even begun: by standard one they were already way behind the Ashkenazi children.

"Notice what happens every time the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance talk about tightening belts. Students are kept out of universities and schools because of raised fees. Which students are most affected? Oriental children. Subsidies are abolished; food made more expensive. Who suffers? The poor — that is, again the Orientals. The Prime Minister's Commission, appointed by Golda Meir and headed by Dr. Israel Katz, found that 250,000 Israelis live below the poverty line, that 500,000 have very little chance to advance in life. Most of these people are Orientals."

"The wonder is not that the Orientals have done so badly: the wonder is that they have done so well. Despite every obstacle, the immigrants have succeeded in many walks of life.

They are responsible for 75 per cent of our agricultural production, and they provide most of the manpower in our factories. In the 80 development towns and hundreds of villages established since 1948, the majority of the inhabitants are Orientals. Through sheer native ability, they have organized these new towns and villages, and have made many of them prosperous, some less so. Who is bearing the brunt of the attacks on towns like Kiryat Shmona and Ma'alot and Beit Shean?"

SOME OF THEM, it is alleged, have turned their organizing ability to protection rackets.

"Of course they have. Frustrated men with ability but no way to express it turn against the establishment everywhere in the world. Who provides 60 per cent of our manpower in the army? I have had hundreds of letters from Sephardi youngsters: 'Tell everyone from the Prime Minister down, that if we're equal on the field of battle, we must have equal opportunities in the rear.' When they're denied such opportunities, they create them outside the normal framework. It's an application of the doctrine, 'If

I'm not for myself, who is for me?'"

The same principle would apply to the takeover of trade unions — such as the Ashdod portworkers' union — the running of wildcat strikes just to show that the labour leaders have muscle? "Certainly."

But are they in fact denied participation? There are several non-Ashkenazi MKs and Cabinet Ministers. Why cannot they function as champions of the good cause he is describing? "We have 24 MKs and three and a half Cabinet Ministers. But they are all in different parties, and they are all compelled to follow the party line on all issues. In fact, most of them will tell you that they are sitting as Israelis, not as Sephardim."

"Under the existing political set-up, they are of little use, if any, to the Oriental communities, because they are appointed by the political parties, and owe allegiance and loyalty to them, not to the community. The same thing applies in the Zionist Movement and the Jewish Agency: the interests of the parties, and not of communities, are represented. The only thing that will help us politically will be a strong party

of our own, or else a change to the constituency system. Members of Knesset wouldn't agree so readily to 38,000 children being put in school, through the abolition of two free grades, or housing young couples being priced high that they are simply unable to live with their parents, add to the congestion and promiscuity. Again, the wonder is that these conditions lead to so much crime."

Does he think that the Sephardim are doing enough to help themselves? Many Sephardim around the world are wealthy and prominent.

"You will be surprised to find few there are: most leading Jews are Ashkenazim." The World Sephardi Federation, which I was a co-founder, became a simple rubber stamp endorsing the dictates of political parties. See how little has been achieved by the Ministerial Commission to help children in distress, although it is headed by a Sephardi cabinet minister! Dr. Israel Katz can confirm that nothing palpable was done about the recommendations of his commission. The parties have even penetrated our own Jerusalem Sephardi Council, which was formerly completely independent, so as to continue the policy of divide and rule, and avoid the development of consciousness of their position among the majority of the population. Now the Alignment people in the Council are taking action against me to curtail political freedom of action: I'm going to fight them all the way through the courts if necessary."

"The Sephardi community in Israel has done what it could provide scholarships and forms of help. But they cannot do it alone. The Sephardim have been helped to have their version of the auto-emancipation which began for the Ashkenazim a century ago: they must be assisted culturally, intellectually, financially, socially, and politically. We must no longer be treated like Cinderella, fit only to dance the nation's chores. If the Ashkenazim are not prepared to understand the situation realistically, and to provide in the way I've indicated, I must not be surprised by the sequences of their blindness."

"I've been playing prophetic doom since the beginning of State, not because I like it, because I live close to the problem. If there's no radical re-thinking on high, afraid the situation will be much worse before it gets better."

Dry Bones



ISRAEL PRESS

HA'ARETZ (Independent) hopes that Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will not carry out his plan to extend secrecy laws to purely political matters, making it obligatory for journalists to present reports on such items as meetings between representatives of Israel with those of states with which it has no diplomatic relations to the Military Censor for clearing. "The task of preserving political secrets falls on

the Cabinet. The press cannot be held responsible for leaks by Ministers. Instead of taking the easy way out by gagging the press, Mr. Rabin should first put matters right in his own house. If such a law is passed, the press may decide that it cannot accept restrictions preventing it from carrying out its legitimate task in a democratic society, which may affect even existing agreements."

POSTSCRIPTS

FOR THE THIRD YEAR running, the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem has received a letter from the Roman family in Novosibirsk, Siberia.

The letter, as usual, on the eve of Tu B'Shvat and the Romans ask that five saplings be planted, one for each member of the family, on the New Year of the Trees. "Our captors still hold us in a distant exile," they write in a Hebrew impeccably both in style and script, "but our spirit is with our brethren in Israel. We ask you once again to plant trees for us, one for each member of our family. We shall be indebted to you for this labour, but we shall repay it to our motherland and to you in the future. You have done a great deed for us in the past and we are forever grateful. We cleave to our homeland and pledge ourselves to labour for it, a labour most sweet and acceptable. For there is no greater delight on earth than to work for our free homeland and this we hope to do until our last breath."

THERE ARE ARGUMENTS among some Jews whether the proper historical name of this land is "Palestine," the name first officially imposed on it by the Roman conquerors about 1,336 years ago in an attempt to obliterate every vestige of the hated Jewish presence, or, as the Jews themselves call it, "Eretz Yisrael" — i.e., the Land of Israel, meaning: the Land of the People Israel, the Jewish People. Another bone of contention is whether the British act, in taking Transjordan out of Mandate Palestine (which embraced nearly all of historical Eretz Yisrael), and handing it to the Emir Abdullah in 1922, constituted the establishment of a Palestine Arab state.

Here is what Foreign Minister Yigal Allon had to say on the subject in a recent talk at Beit Berl. He related that when Abdullah annexed Judea and Samaria to his "Emirate of Transjordan" in 1949 (an annexation, incidentally, that was recognized only by Pakistan and Britain), he wanted to rename his whole new realm "The Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine." But his British advisers dissuaded him from doing so, saying that "Palestine" is a colonialist-imperialist name, and that his enemies would use this to "prove" that he was a puppet of British imperialism. So he adopted the name "Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan."

READERS' LETTERS

DANGERS OF EXTREMISM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — With reference to the letter, "Dangers of extremism" (January 11), may I point out that Gush Emunim is made up of a group of dedicated people, including many non-observant Jews from all walks of life, who realize that the areas that we won in a war forced upon us by our enemies must not be returned to those who have promised to annihilate us in the near future. May I remind the writer that, if not for the small groups of religious devotees all through our history who have kept the torch of Judaism alive against all conceivable odds, he and I would not be living as Jews in a free and democratic Israel today.

Let me also correct the writer on the point of aliyah and emigration. What is causing emigration today is the gravitation toward greener fields and the false illusion that life will be easier somewhere else. The majority of those coming on aliyah from the West are young religious couples to whom the Gush Emunim group is a shining light by virtue of their selflessness and dedication. May I suggest to H. Stark that he take a trip to Kadum to meet personally with the settlers who have given up all their personal comforts and lives in extremely primitive conditions in order to be wakened and remind our people and our Government of our historical rights.

H. GOLDMAN
 Ramat Chen, January 11.

HOLOCAUST MARTYRS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In his review of Ehud Avriel's book, "Open the gates" (January 2), Mr. Gilon writes: "Never again will Jews cooperate in their own destruction." There is a vast difference between a defenceless minority unable to fight back and cooperation with a ruthless enemy. The thesis which Mr. Gilon adopts has been disproved by many researchers. Surely, such statements belittle the cruel fate of 6 million martyrs and heroes and do not help our endeavours to make later generations understand the tragedy of 30 years ago.

EVA MICHAELIS-STERN
 Jerusalem, January 8.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — With reference to the letter, "Dangers of extremism" (January 11), I had the honour to visit Camp Kadum with members of the South African delegation during last week's session of the General Zionist Council.

Without going into political arguments, I would just like to express my admiration for the settlers and members of Gush Emunim for their courage and determination. They are the true pioneers of today. As Co-Chairman of the Aliya Committee of the Zionist Federation in England, I can only say that, in my opinion, all youth groups visiting Israel should be taken on a tour of Gush Emunim settlements to inspire them. Maybe with this inspiration the Jewish youth again can be induced to play their part and come and join in this great Zionist revival.

Contrary to H. Stark's opinion, instead of having a damaging effect on aliyah from the West, the Gush Emunim people are an inspiration and example to the Jewish youth outside Israel. With all the corruption, emigration and defection prevalent in Israel to-day, Gush Emunim brings a breath of fresh air and hope for the future of Israel.

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 President, Herut-Zohar
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 Tel Aviv, January 11.

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